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Local organization proposes ordinance

Group reiterates smoking risks to promote smoke-free restaurants, Council wishes to gain business feedback

By TRISHA THOMPSON
COPY EDITOR

The possibility of all Maryville restaurants turning smoke free dominated much of the discussion at the Maryville City Council's meeting Monday.

Teri Harr, Jamie Baker and Julie Livengood, representing Citizens for a Smoke-free Nodaway County, presented a model city ordinance controlling smoking in city restaurants, calling for 100 percent participation of a smoke-free dining environment.

"I don't see why we should have to have a law telling me what I can and can't do on my own property."

BRETT WHITE
MURPHY'S BAR AND GRILL OWNER

Restaurants are already smoke free and many of the ones that aren't are not necessarily hostile to the idea of doing it," Baker said.

Other communities in the Midwest, similar to Maryville's size, have passed similar ordinances, such as Springfield, Overland Park, Kan., and cities in Colorado, Texas and Montana, Baker said.

Mayor Ron Moss said the Council's main concern is the possible detrimental effects on local businesses should the ordinance enforce a

smoke-free atmosphere.

Brett White, owner of Murphy's Bar and Grill, was present at the meeting to voice his opinion regarding the possible ordinance. Although his business could be classified as a bar, which would not be included in the ordinance, much of the bar's revenue comes from the sale of food.

Baker said the ordinance's language would have to differentiate a certain percentage of revenue allocated from alcohol compared to food in whether

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Referendum A passes, advances to Cabinet

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
CHIEF REPORTER

As the fall trimester comes to a close, Student Senate had its last meeting of the term Tuesday, and with that came discussion on the next step of Referendum A.

After two weeks of open voting on WebSTAR, 478 students logged on to cast their vote. The referendum passed by 28 votes, as 250 students voted for the referendum and 228 students voted against it. Despite the small margin of "yes" votes, the Senate decided the results were convincing enough to pass it on to the President's Cabinet.

Referendum A would give North-

west full-fledged membership into the Student Association of Missouri (SAM). Northwest currently possesses only speaking rights within the organization.

The SAM referendum would implement a \$1 fee per student per semester if it passes, which would raise approximately \$12,000 per year for SAM. The money will be used for operating funds and retaining of professional services in the legal, lobbying and auditing fields that concern SAM as a whole.

If Northwest becomes a voting member, SAM will reimburse the Senate for lodging and travel fees incurred

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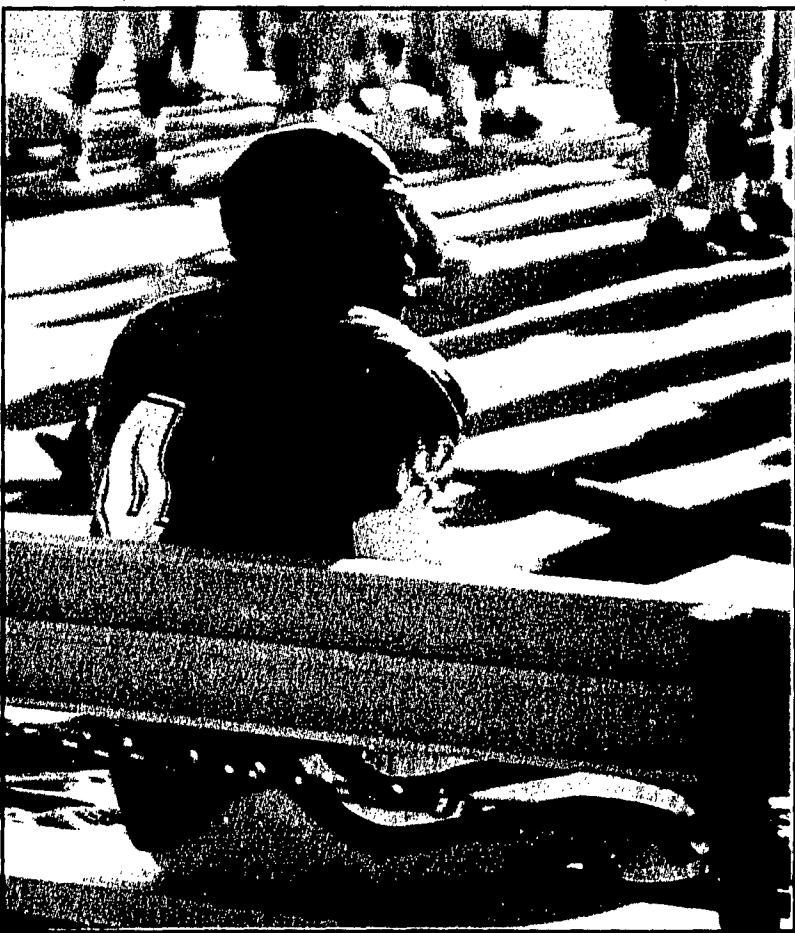


PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT EDITOR
Sophomore Morris White reacts to Northwest's 23-12 season ending loss to the University of Northern Colorado. See section B for more football coverage.



In front of a group of spectators in the Student Union, actors Brendan Farley and Melanie Esplin answer questions regarding AIDS. The actors were

part of the theater company named HealthWorks, based out of Chicago. The presentation was part of World AIDS Day which was Sunday.

'Wizard of AIDS' promotes awareness

By JILL MUEGGE
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

With the number of AIDS and HIV cases on the rise, Northwest, along with organizations throughout the nation, promoted World AIDS Day Sunday to raise AIDS awareness.

By the end of 2001, an estimated 40 million people were living with HIV. By the end of this year, five million more will be added to the list.

In an effort to educate Northwest students about the severity of AIDS, Common Ground, an organization on campus whose goal is to promote a healthy and positive environment for gay, lesbian and bisexual individuals and their supporters, sponsored a parody theater production with a twist on "The Wizard of Oz."

The performers of "The Wizard of AIDS" played parts such as

the Wicked Witch of Unsafe Sex and an over-sexed scarecrow in love with Dorothy in Monday's performance.

Ashley Cunningham, president of Common Ground, said she thinks the program was a great way to express the danger of AIDS to Northwest students.

"The program is hilarious, but it has a great message," she said. "AIDS is a huge problem, but many people don't seem to think there is a problem."

In previous years at Northwest, World AIDS Day has been recognized by wearing red ribbons, but Common Ground did not believe this practice alone would do justice to the education of AIDS and the promotion of awareness and prevention. This year they decided to sponsor the production in hopes of getting the message across.

"The Wizard of AIDS" is one of the productions of HealthWorks The-

atre, based in Chicago. The theatre employs actors and actresses to perform in different plays, each with a distinct message and age group in mind. The performers travel throughout the Midwest, visiting middle schools, high schools, universities and other locations.

Brendan Farley, "The Wizard of AIDS" actor, has been involved with the play for more than a year.

"It's a great program and I really enjoy doing it," he said. "It's one of our more risqué programs and very appropriate for college-age students."

Since 1988, Dec. 1 has been rec-

WORLD AIDS DAY
People newly infected with HIV in 2001: 5 million
AIDS deaths in 2001: 3 million, that's more than 8,000 deaths per day
Estimated number of people living with HIV/AIDS at the end of 2001: 40 million
Total of AIDS deaths at the end of 2000: 21.8 million
Total number of AIDS orphans: 13.2 million

SOURCE: UNAIDS

ognized as World AIDS Day. The day is dedicated to inform, communicate and promote social tolerance regarding AIDS.

The theme of this year's World AIDS Day was Stigma and Discrimination, Attitudes Toward HIV and AIDS.

Cunningham said in Nodaway County alone there are an estimated 30 people living with HIV or AIDS.

Free HIV/AIDS testing is available at the Nodaway County Health Center, located at 515 N. Main. Testing is completely confidential.

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Friends, family continue healing one year after girl's death

By ABBY SIMONS
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

Sophomore agronomy major Kyle McCoy will always remember his sister's smile, laugh and her kind heart. He'll also never forget the day she was lost.

"It's something that's always in your head, all day, every day," he said. "It definitely changes things and makes you look at things a little differently."

It was a year of shock, heartbreak and healing for the family and many friends of slain teenager Sarah Beth McCoy as Tuesday marked the one year anniversary of the 15-year-old's death. McCoy disappeared from her rural Easton home Dec. 3, 2001. Her body was found two days later in a creek bed north of Gower near Missouri Route VV. Zachariah Tripp, 17, Sarah's classmate at East Buchanan High School, is charged with mur-

der, rape and kidnapping in connection with her death. Tripp has pleaded innocent to all charges.

The first trial, lasting more than two weeks in Buchanan County, was declared a mistrial Oct. 2 when the jury was deadlocked 10-2, the majority in favor of Tripp's guilt. A second trial is scheduled for March 3 in St. Joseph, with a jury from Boone County presiding over the trial.

For Kyle, Sarah's only sibling, the

court proceedings and search for justice for Sarah's killer has been the focus of much of the last year for himself, as well as his parents, George and Michelle.

"It was painful at times," McCoy said. "I was kind of depressed we have to go through it again. I really wish it would have been over the first time."

While no direct contact with Tripp

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Northwest lacks minority faculty, works to improve recruitment

By BETSY LEE
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

White faces dominate the Northwest faculty roster, leaving black students searching for a mentor.

Although the faculty have several international members, no blacks have served this trimester. Black students feel this lack.

"You can relate more to people of your own culture and background," said Raniesha Jackson, accounting major. "Having more black faculty would make me more comfortable."

According to an article titled "Facing Stereotypes: A Case Study of Black Students on a White Campus," by Sharon L. Fries-Britt and Bridget Turner, black students at predomi-

nately white universities feel isolated because of the lack of black faculty and administration.

"In order for an institution to support a black population, you need black faculty," said Burne'a Cothrine, broadcasting major.

Northwest's administration has goals to increase diversity on campus. The Diversity Strategic Initiative lists specific goals for the recruitment of minority students; the goal is to increase minority enrollment from 4.12 percent in 2001-2002 to 6 percent in 2004-2005. Helping to achieve this part of the goal, Northwest employs five student recruiters, one of which

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Faculty Senate to present resolution to Regents

By KARA SWINK
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

After heated debate sparked between senators, Faculty Senate voted to present a resolution to the Board of Regents concerning the tabled nine hours of University requirements during Wednesday's meeting.

The Board of Regents tabled the nine hours at its Feb. 21 meeting, which included Using Computers, multicultural studies and the wellness program. The Board justified their reason by stating Northwest would be in a bad position with more than 42 hours of general education because it would be difficult to recruit transfer students.

It was also assumed sister institu-

tions would only have a 42-hour general education requirement without other requirements added. However, data was collected from other Missouri public institutions from their latest online catalogs, and institutions have a minimum 48-hour requirement, except for Missouri Western State College, which requires 42 to 45 hours.

Richard Fulton, chair of curriculum and degree requirements, began the discussion about the importance of a resolution.

"We're not demanding this," he said. "But these nine hours are courses that other universities have. We have weakened our general studies because

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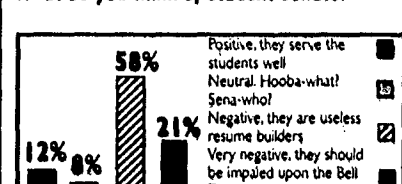
This week Julian Kussman answers students' questions about racism, Bearcat Steppers and the C-Man. Send your questions to Ask Julian.

The Buzz
Your Online Entertainment Section

On Friday, check out a review of the new comedy "Analyze That."



Last week's poll:
What do you think of Student Senate?



This week's poll:

Do you have unsafe sex?

Art Club to sponsor sale

By KARA SWINK
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

Members of the Northwest Art Club will sponsor the 31st annual pottery sale just in time for shoppers to find the perfect holiday gift this season.

The sale will be from 4 p.m.-8 p.m. Friday and from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday in the basement of the Fine Arts Building.

More than 2,000 vases, bowls, mugs, dishes, pots and sculptures, made exclusively by advanced and beginning wheel students, will line the tables ranging from \$1 to \$50.

Russell Schmaljohn, assistant professor of art, said shoppers line up outside the Fine Arts Building well before the doors open and many come from as far as Kansas City, Mo. or Omaha, Neb. to do their Christmas shopping because they can get quality products at a reasonable price.

"When they start lining up it sort of gets to be like a rush to Macy's (department store)," Schmaljohn said. "They want to be the first one in there to grab a piece that's a one of a kind."

Each year the sale draws in a large crowd looking for that special, unique piece and members of the art department are looking for a huge turnout.

Eighty-five percent of the proceeds compiled will help students with studio cost and 15 percent will be directed into the club's funding for equipment purposes.

In past years, the sale has raised be-



Michelle Sittig, art major, looks over the just cooled pieces of pottery that students have been working on. The Art Club will be selling these pieces from 4 p.m.-8 p.m. on Friday and from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday at the Fine Arts Building.

tween \$5,000 and \$7,000.

"I kept thinking with the economy after 9/11 and the stock market pitching that the sale would have tanked last year," Schmaljohn said. "But it didn't, it held and it showed because we got past \$5,000 and that's a lot of pots."

More than 500 creations made by

senior art major David Adams will be on display.

"I've appeared in nine pottery sales before and this is going to be my last one, and I'm really going to miss it because it's been a lot of fun," he said. "The sale has really helped benefit me and other students because it gets us ready for the real world."

Adams said every Northwest student should attend at least one pottery sale.

"Even if you don't purchase anything you should still come down and check it out," he said. "Over the years the community has been really supportive and that shows the connections between the University and community."

Lack of knowledge worries geographers

By KARA SWINK
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

In spite of the daily bombardment of news sources surrounding the Middle East and other troubled areas throughout the world, 85 percent of young Americans, aged 18 to 24, could not find Afghanistan or Iraq on a map according to a recent survey.

More than 3,000 young adults in Canada, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Sweden and the United States took part in the National Geographic-Roper 2002 Global Geographic Literacy Survey which assessed their geography knowledge.

USA Today recently published the quiz results, which tabulated that the United States was next to last among other countries quizzed in geography and current event questions.

Among Americans' knowledge gaps, nearly 30 percent of young adults surveyed could not find the Pacific Ocean and more than 56 percent were unable to locate India, where 17 percent of people on Earth reside.

Gregory Haddock, assistant professor of geography, read the article and said he was disappointed with the survey results. Haddock said young adults should be more aware of geography since it affects them on a daily basis.

"Students are at least somewhat literate when it comes to history, just based on high school and one class during college and they are at least somewhat literate in literary knowledge," Haddock said.

"What they know from those two are much better than what they know about geography."

Haddock said students should adapt simple geography mechanics, such as learning about important world events.

"Not having that (geography knowledge) makes a student distant from what they are hearing on radio or TV," he said. "If they know just a little bit about where it is then when they hear it, it makes a little bit more sense."

Haddock said people get intimidated when it comes to geography because the subject can be overwhelming when they first jump into it.

"Students should realize they don't need to be embarrassed about what they don't know, unless they're unwilling to learn," he said.

Jared Britz, geography major, said students and young adults have a problem with geography because it is not something that gets taught in junior high and high school.

"In grade school they throw you some states and capitals, but then they just forget it," he said.

Britz said he was dumbfounded after reading the article that people his age were unaware where certain countries and oceans were located.

Haddock said next trimester he would like to replicate the quiz to see where his students rank.

"We could see where Northwest students are and see if it changes before or after the class ends," he said.



Maleena Mansoor, a Northwest student from Afghanistan responds to one of the questions asked by students in the audience. The three speakers answered several questions about Muslim life and rituals.

Northwest's Muslim students speak out against religious myths

By STEPHANIE SUCKOW
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

After the events of Sept. 11, 2001, publicity arose regarding the Muslim religion and misconceptions formed. "The Truth About Muslims: No Myths, All Facts," a forum that took place Tuesday sponsored by the Propaganda class, discussed these misconceptions.

Maleena Mansoor, Mursel Yuzmec and Kaan Ozdemir, three Muslim students, answered questions with topics ranging from ethnic background, war and marriage for curious Northwest and Maryville high school students.

"We have been planning all semester long with the Maryville students," said Heidi Francis, Propaganda student. "We

all wanted to be able to break down stereotypes people have towards the Muslim religion and the people who believe in it."

The first topic dealt with the realization that not all Muslims come from Arabic countries, they are found all over the world.

"There is no particular ethnic background needed for the Muslim religion," Yuzmec said. "We believe there is no difference between races. God will

look only at our heart and our faith."

The involvement of Muslims in the U.S. Army after Sept. 11 was another issue covered at the forum. Ozdemir explained the religion's negative view on war and how that aspect would effect Muslim involvement in the war.

HEIDI FRANCIS
PROPAGANDA STUDENT

"Nothing says we shouldn't join the

Army," Ozdemir said. "It just wouldn't be a good idea considering that it is sinful to kill other people, especially other Muslim people."

Mansoor discussed facts about Muslim marriages.

"Americans see our arranged marriages as the women meeting their husband for the first time on their wedding night," Mansoor said. "In fact, if a man likes a girl he will ask his family to ask her to marry him, if the girl likes him they will get engaged and then married, if not, they will separate, she makes the decision."

Mansoor said she wanted everyone to start focusing on the similarities within the Muslim religion and their own.

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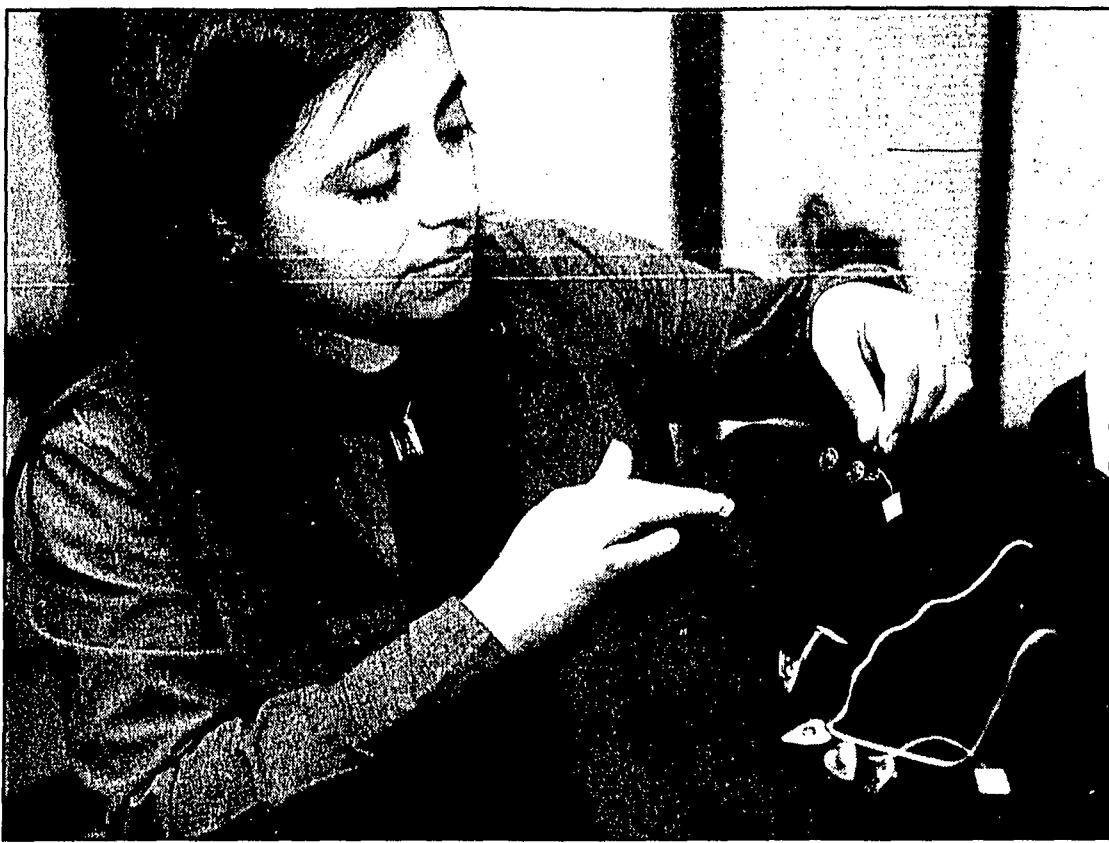
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Local jewelry maker and metalsmith Azalea Whitley shows her display of handmade works of art. Whitley creates the jewelry, which includes necklaces, pendants and cufflinks, from her home while also working at Strong Law Office in Maryville. Whitley's jewelry ranges in price from \$40 to \$200.

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Part-time artist creates jewelry

By SARAH SWEDBERG
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

As the holiday season ushers in the gift giving time of year, one Maryville resident will display gifts of her own.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday at her home at 1221 W. Crestview Drive, Azalea Whitley will display her metalsmith craftsmanship to those looking for the perfect Christmas gift.

Azalea specializes in making earrings, necklaces, pendants, pins and cufflinks. She makes them from sterling silver, 14-karat gold and precious stones such as lapis, garnet and black onyx.

Azalea, who is employed at Strong Law Office in Maryville, designs her own jewelry in her home studio.

"The good thing about her jewelry is it stands on its own," her husband, Darren, said. "It's not like she has copied other people's designs, her designs are her own."

She uses traditional techniques that have been handed down through generations from metalsmith to metalsmith.

She not only sells her work to cus-

tomers in Maryville, but also retails her jewelry through the Urban Designs gallery in Manhattan, Kan.

Since art has always been a part of her life, Azalea discovered her interest in metals after taking a required metalsmithing class at Kansas State University for her fine arts major.

"It was challenging," Azalea said. "I really liked working with tools."

After marrying Darren in her second year of college, he encouraged her to continue with her talent in metalsmithing, because she spent so much time on this particular form of art.

Darren has helped his wife by giving her work space, trading a few tools with her and photographing some of her work. He also gives her his opinion concerning certain designs she creates.

"I have nicknames to some of the pieces she designs," he said.

Ever since she graduated from Kan-

sas State in 1998 with a bachelor's degree in Fine Arts with an emphasis in metalsmithing and jewelry design, she has been working on her jewelry craftsmanship.

After four years of working with metal to create the designs, Azalea feels confident that the jewelry she makes today is of the highest quality for sale to customers.

Azalea said she tries to spread out the amount of time she spends creating the art work, instead of working six hours on it in one day. She keeps record in a small notebook of how much time she spends making each jewelry item.

This allows her to price each item by the amount of time she spends as well as the type of metal and jewel she uses.

Azalea said the most popular jewelry she has sold this holiday season is her heart jewelry. The matching heart necklace and pendant have had the best response.

Most of her jewelry falls between the price range of \$40 to \$200.

Unknown Wonders of Nodaway County

Winter months spur increase of indoor tanning, possible safety risks

By DEVIN RANKIN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

With winter well on its way, many are choosing to keep their summer look through use of the increasingly popular tanning beds available at several local salons.

Although tanning beds are used year-round, local salon employees say winter months bring in more people than ever.

"We have anywhere from 100 to 150 people that come here every day to tan during the winter," said Tim Trost of Looks Fitness Center & Tanning.

Many of those who visit tanning salons in the colder months are either hoping to keep their summer tan or are beginning to tan for special events during the winter, said Rebecca Taylor of Hair Clinique.

"We are especially busy around the time that people are getting ready for winter formal," Taylor said.

Although tanning is popular, there

are certain risks that go along with it.

"Using a tanning bed would not be beneficial from a medical standpoint," said Teri Harr, health education coordinator. "Medical providers would not recommend using a tanning bed because of the increased risk of skin cancer."

Some salons are taking extra precautions such as providing protective eye wear and posting information about the detrimental health effects of tanning in their booths.

Many tanning salons also require their customers to sign forms stating that they understand the effects of tanning.

Some salons go even further by making suggestions to customers about how long they should tan according to their skin type, said Ashley Mullen of Jass Salon.

"We don't want people to burn and that is our main goal," Mullen said. "We make suggestions on how long some should tan for, especially

if it is their first time, because we want them to have a healthy looking tan."

Once the perfect tan is reached, it is quite easy to keep, Mullen said.

"Depending on how well someone tans, once the tan is built up, it can be maintained by coming back one to three times a week," Mullen said.

The price of tanning varies at each salon and the cost can range from \$2.50 to \$3.50 for a single tan all the way up to \$25 for a month of unlimited tanning. Although tanning is affordable to many, others find it to be an unnecessary expense.

"I don't tan because I just can't spend the extra money to do it," said senior Carrie Artman.

In spite of the fact that tanning has disadvantages such as health risks, it still appeals to many.

"It has become very popular lately," Taylor said. "I think that it just makes people feel good to have a tan."

A dash of fun



PHOTO BY ABBY SIMONS/COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

Traci Shipp and Theresa Schreffler, students at St. Gregory's School and members of Girl Scout Troop 305, enjoy a cookie break after having decorated Christmas cookies for the Community Recreation and Resocialization Program holiday party. CRRP is a group organized to provide recreation and socialization opportunities to individuals with physical and emotional challenges.

City meeting to address future of Highway 71

By SARAH DITTMANN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Travelers are continuing to wait for the remainder of Highway 71 to open up to four lanes as the Missouri Department of Transportation prepares to meet next week to discuss options.

Holly Murphy, public information specialist for MoDOT, said the engineers are planning to meet with Maryville officials at 1 p.m. Dec. 12 at the University Conference Center. The meeting is open to the public.

Engineers and city officials plan to use public input to hammer out a design for finishing the highway at the meeting, Murphy said.

Murphy said she expects a formal recommendation by the end of the year.

The opening of the last 10-mile stretch of the highway was scheduled to take place in early November but was pushed back in light of concerns voiced by the public about the safety of the intersection of Business 71 and Hwy. 71.

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The Fire This Time Presidents names new political joke

Well, we can all breathe a sigh of relief. After blocking any outside investigations into the intelligence failures related to the Sept. 11th attacks for far too long, President George W. Bush appointed revered statesman Henry Kissinger, Mr. Realpolitik himself, as the head of a new investigative team.

Hopefully, Mr. Kissinger won't have to travel abroad as part of the investigation, since he might be arrested for any one of his nearly countless crimes against humanity.

You probably don't know it, but Kissinger has orchestrated, overseen, or been complicit in the kidnapping, torture, or death of thousands all over the world.

To those who care about basic elementary evidence, that statement is not a controversial one: official government documents and numerous scholarly studies prove it repeatedly. In less serious circles, however, like much of the U.S. media, it's not worth mentioning that Kissinger's record includes some of the most egregious international crimes in the last half-century, from the notorious Operation Condor to atrocities in Southeast Asia. Here are a few examples:

During the war in Vietnam, after helping Richard Nixon undermine the 1968 Paris peace talks, Kissinger oversaw the secret bombing campaign that killed thousands of civilians.

Meanwhile, Kissinger touted Pakistani General Yahya Khan's "delicacy and tact" after Khan used U.S. arms to overthrow a democratically-elected government, leading to massive civilian casualties. Similarly, Kissinger was an open supporter of Argentina's fascist, anti-Semitic government as they "disappeared" up to 30,000 people in the 1970s. In fact, he was so pleased that he went to visit the dictator as a personal guest in 1978, after he was out of office.

In 1975, Kissinger and Former President Gerald Ford happily visited Indonesia and gave advanced approval to the dictator, Suharto, for the invasion of East Timor and the slaughter of thousands of civilians. (Kissinger publicly lied about it for years until incriminating documents were finally declassified.)

By then, Kissinger had already presided over the illegal assassination of a senior government official and a CIA-backed coup to overthrow Chile's democratically elected leader, Salvador Allende. Then Kissinger and Co. installed military dictator Augusto Pinochet, one of the most notorious murderers of the 20th century. In 1976, at the height of Pinochet's atrocities, Kissinger had a face-to-face meeting with him to reiterate sympathy and support for the brutal regime.

In 2000 and 2001, when it appeared that Pinochet was finally going to be prosecuted for his crimes against humanity and multiple civil suits were taken against Kissinger, the *LA Times*, *The Boston Globe* and others speculated that Kissinger, one of Pinochet's partners in crime, could be next to face trial.

Not only has he not seen the inside of a courtroom, Kissinger remains a media darling, called on as an "expert" for just about everything, and now the president has given him what should be one of the most serious tasks in U.S. history.

To anyone familiar with Kissinger's record, that seems about as sensible as appointing leading figures from the Iran-Contra scandal to help run homeland security investigations... oh wait, the president already did that (John Poindexter and Elliot Abrams). Alright, maybe it isn't all that surprising in that respect.

But even beyond the absurdity of appointing someone with Kissinger's criminal record is the fact that Kissinger's consulting firm, Kissinger Associates, reportedly retains Exxon Mobil, ARCO and Middle Eastern oil states among their top-secret clients. Therefore, Kissinger has an obvious conflict of interest when it comes to, among other things, protecting major U.S. oil clients like Saudi Arabia from implications regarding 9/11 connections.

It was widely quipped that irony died when Kissinger was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, and Bush certainly appears to be making damn sure it's really dead, but maybe we shouldn't be so scathing about Bush's (il)logic: perhaps he's just convinced that it takes an international criminal to catch an international criminal. If that's true, the case should be solved in no time.

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Letter to the Editor Homecoming emcees apologize

We would like to apologize for the inappropriate behavior that we conducted on the evening of Oct. 27 to the residents of Hudson and Perrin Halls. Our behavior was very uncalled for and we are honestly sorry for disrupting and upsetting anyone that evening. We hope you did enjoy the 2002 Homecoming and the Variety Show. We hope our actions didn't leave a bad impression on anyone. Thank you.

KATHY HUNDLEY, MELANIE SIEDSCHLAG,
JEFF HARP, RODDY JASA
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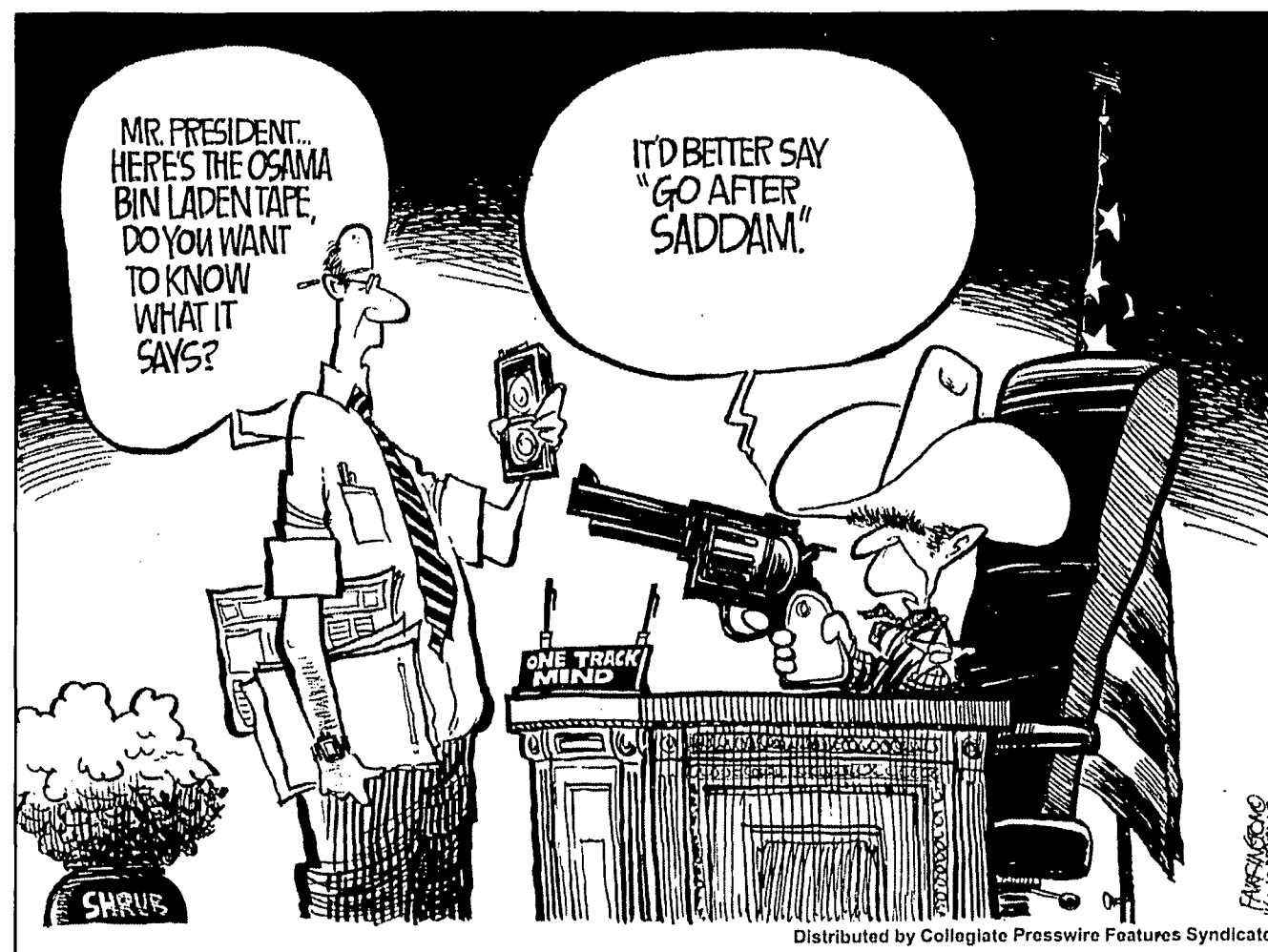
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Our View Serve students

University fails to provide football fans open facilities to get food, study or exercise

Two days after Thanksgiving, many students fled to Maryville for the national quarterfinal game between Northwest and the University of Northern Colorado. But evidently University officials failed to realize that many of those students would be staying in the 'Ville for the remainder of the weekend.

As a result of that terrible assumption, students were forced to eat fast food all weekend, go to St. Joseph or Omaha, Neb. if they wanted to workout and pretty much be bored out of their mind until late Sunday night. Heck, they weren't even able to buy Bearcat apparel at the Bookstore.

That's because the Union was closed all Saturday and Sunday during the day, the University Fitness Center and the Recreation Center were both closed during the same time period and Owens Library was closed until 4 p.m. Sunday.

The question has to be posed: Wouldn't it make sense to have the Fitness and Rec Centers open to help burn the calories that everyone consumed on Thanksgiving Day? Or what about eating food on campus instead of paying money for overpriced grease? Students put money on their Aladdin cards for a reason, don't they?

And what about studying? Unless

plans have changed, aren't finals scheduled for Dec. 9-13? So wouldn't it make sense to have the library open for students who have to study for those tough finals or if they have projects due during the upcoming week? Why blame students if they want to study after putting up with their relatives all week or if they want to go some place quiet because their roommates are too loud?

This weekend's preparation, or lack for the rush of students staying in the 'Ville, was unacceptable. University officials can't say that there weren't enough students back in town because the student section was nearly full at Rickenbrode Stadium Saturday.

The campus was more vacant than Death Valley, only this location didn't have unbearable heat circulating through it. Instead, proverbial ghosts were going through the Union and through the libraries. Rumor has it Roberta and her friends were studying for that big final.

Unfortunately for 'real' students, University officials were too inept to put employees in the library, at the Fitness and Rec Centers and at the Union so they could join Roberta.

Officials might say they didn't have the employees to work at the various locations on campus. But that argument won't

stand too long because a lot of those employees are students. Usually when a college student is asked to work for money, they'll jump at it like a dog jumps on a T-bone steak.

Students were seen working at the football game Saturday, as well as the women's basketball game Sunday. So why couldn't students work at their respective work places on campus?

What it really comes down to is the fact that people who overlook University facilities don't want to leave their mansions and instead talk about the stock market while drinking tea. What they fail to realize is that students count on the University and all they ask is for a little attention.

The bottom line is everyone has to make sacrifices. Just like the military officials that go off to a foreign country during the holidays, or athletes going to a tournament instead of spending time with their families, University officials need to give a little back to the hands that feed them.

They will get an opportunity to redeem themselves during Christmas vacation when students come back to Northwest in mid-January. If they know what's best, they will have their facilities up and running for those hands.

Your View Do you think Northwest needs another fraternity?



"Yes, there should be new fraternities and sororities. I would really like to see an African-American based fraternity or sorority. I think it would get a lot of people involved."

Joi Mosley
PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR



"Yes, I think it will offer opportunity to the Northwest students. This will be able to broaden their horizons and interests."

Chad Miller
AG BUSINESS MAJOR



"I definitely think that a Christian fraternity should be started. By developing this, you will be able to bring a strong connection between the existing fraternities and sororities."

Derek Steffen
PUBLIC RELATIONS MAJOR



"I think that there should be new fraternities. If the demand is high and turnout is good, everyone should have a chance to get involved."

Morris White
PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR

Letter to the Editor Stroller strays from purpose, needs therapy

In reading the Stroller in the Nov. 21 edition of *The Northwest Missourian*, I have to wonder what the purpose of the Stroller is, and was that stated in the job description? I'd like to know why the Stroller felt the need to lament profusely about her (or his) lack of a love life. Is the Stroller hoping someone will take pity on them and give them the date they've been looking for or is the Stroller locked in traditional gender roles to where they feel they must have a man to survive. If the latter is the case, there may need to be some self-esteem building which the Counseling Center can work on. This Stroller causes one to ask why they came to college at all. If their only goal was to settle down and get married and have someone to share their life with, then why didn't they stay wherever they were and do what a good number of high school graduates do by getting a factory job and having 2.4 kids before they're 21? Don't misunderstand, if this is a valid concern for the Stroller then that is understandable in their personal life, but I thought the purpose of the Stroller was to make observations on campus about campus, not whine because they can't get a date.

HEATHER LAFON
POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR

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Letter to the Editor

Student condemns immature behavior of sign stealing, destroying

While this may not seem like an important issue to all students on this campus, I believe students should be informed of their fellow classmates' actions.

Within the past weeks, I, being a member of a much-despised organization on campus, noticed some posters I had posted on numerous bulletin boards around campus being stolen. They were approved by Student Affairs, eliminating this being an administrative problem. It became apparent after at least five posters were removed that students were taking them. Therefore, I began to wonder why.

The poster removed was promoting the play, "The Wizard of AIDS" which promoted sexual awareness and safety. There were only two conclusions I could come up with. One conclusion dealt with the fact that there was an image of a big green condom in the background of the poster. Secondly, I figured that since the event was primarily sponsored by Common Ground (the gay-straight alliance on campus), some particular students simply didn't like the poster and had the no-

tion to remove it.

I would certainly hope that a condom does not offend the students removing these posters. If so, they may need to watch "The Wizard of AIDS," to be informed of the virus. Additionally, I realize some people here do not agree with homosexuality, but does that mean one should remove a poster on terms of an organization they don't agree with?

"The Wizard of AIDS" poster is not the only poster I have seen being tampered with. There have been other posters that have been written on, ripped up and stolen.

The bottom line is, students committing these acts are ignorant and immature, and perhaps the ignorance is not their fault. Maybe they don't know that AIDS isn't just a virus that occurs among only homosexuals. In fact it is projected that by the year 2020, 55 million people in Africa will have contracted the AIDS virus.

I ask students who haven't defaced or stolen posters off bulletin boards to keep an eye out for those who do and let them know it's not right. And to those who are

tampering with the posters, unfortunately immaturity isn't instantly curable. However, your ignorance is — it just takes a little reading. As with all freedom of speech matters, whether or not you agree with an expression, publication, etc., you must realize that the First Amendment enables anyone to express what they'd like. Hopefully, you value that amendment enough to refrain from taking away someone else's rights by removing a simple poster. Furthermore, in regard to the "Wizard of AIDS" poster, I hope you realize how disturbing it is that you're apathetic about a virus that could potentially effect you or someone you love.

Lastly, it is naive to think that those committing these acts will read this and actually take it to heart. Although, I hope you do. The world is diverse and, fortunately it will continue to grow more diverse, some people need to get used to it. If they were, I wouldn't have to write a letter regarding this issue.

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Calendar of Events

Thurs. 5th ■ **Central Stores and Central Receiving reopens**
 ■ **Wings Support Group**, 11:30 a.m., 6 p.m., Children and Family Center
 ■ **St. Francis Hospital Auxiliary Bazaar and Bake Sale**, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., St. Francis Hospital
 ■ **GED**, 7:50 a.m., 120 Wells Hall
 ■ **Yuletide Feaste**, 6:30 p.m., Union Ballroom

Mon. 9th ■ **Alcoholics Anonymous**, 6 p.m., First United Methodist Church
 ■ **4-H Photography Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., Extension Center, Rock Port
 ■ **Final exams**

Fri. 6th ■ **Alcoholics Anonymous**, 8 p.m., Conception Abbey
 ■ **St. Francis Hospital Auxiliary Bazaar and Bake Sale**, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., St. Francis Hospital
 ■ **GED**, 7:50 a.m., 120 Wells Hall
 ■ **Yuletide Feaste**, 6:30 p.m., Union Ballroom
 ■ **Art Club Pottery Sale**, 4-8 p.m., Fine Arts Building
 ■ **Racela Foundation Photographic Collection closes**

Tues. 10th ■ **Final exams**
 ■ **Anonymous**, 7 p.m., Laura Street Baptist Church
 ■ **4-H Foods/Cake Decorating Workshop**, 3:30 p.m., Velma Houts Fair Building, Rock Port
 ■ **Maryville Middle School 7th/8th Grade Vocal Music/Band Program**, 6:30 p.m., Maryville Middle School

Sat. 7th ■ **Nodaway County Historical Society "Christmas at the Museum"**, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Historical Society
 ■ **Martha Washington 4-H Club's Annual Ornament Fair**, 9-11 a.m., Nodaway County Community Building, Maryville
 ■ **Art Club Pottery Sale**, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Fine Arts Building
 ■ **Yuletide Feaste**, 6:30 p.m., Union Ballroom

Wed. 11th ■ **Final exams**
 ■ **Middle School 5th/6th Grade Vocal Music/Band Program**, 1:30 p.m., Maryville Middle School
 ■ **Alcoholics Anonymous**, 6 p.m., Margaret Davidson Square
 ■ **Nodaway County University Outreach and Extension Council Meeting**, 7:30 p.m., Courthouse Annex, Maryville

Sun. 8th ■ **Nodaway County Historical Society "Christmas at the Museum"**, 1 p.m.-4 p.m., Historical Society
 ■ **Theatre: APO Children's Show**, 2 p.m., Charles Johnson Theatre

Thurs. 12th ■ **Final exams**
 ■ **Senior Center Ham and Bean Dinner**, 5-7 p.m., Nodaway County Senior Center
 ■ **Horace Mann music program**, 7 p.m., Mary Linn Auditorium at the Performing Arts Center



PHOTO BY KAT VORKINKI/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER
 Horticulture Club members Trina Riegel and Andrea Schnetzler help Heather Lashell pick out a poinsettia at the annual Horticulture Club Poinsettia sale Wednesday at the Administration Building. The sale will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at Colden Hall.

Northwest employees invited to open house

Northwest's first lady Aleta Hubbard will welcome all professional and support staff women to her home for a holiday open house. The holiday reception will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday at the Thomas Gaunt House. Refreshments will be provided.

All Northwest faculty, staff, emeritus faculty and retired administrators are invited to an informal celebration with the 2002 Alumni House Holiday Coffee. It will be held from 7:30 to 10 a.m. Dec. 16 at the Alumni House and refreshments will be provided. Northwest's Office of Alumni Relations and the Office of University Advancement will play host to the event.

Parks and Recreation offers adult basketball program

The Maryville Parks and Recreation Department will be offering an adult basketball program this winter. The department will offer a women's recreational league and three men's leagues. Registration will be conducted from Dec. 12 to Dec. 13 at the Parks and Recreation Office at the upper level of City Hall. Team fees are \$85. Player fees are \$15. The team fee and a minimum of five player fees with signed contracts are required at that time. League play is tentatively scheduled to begin the week of Jan. 13. Those with questions concerning registering for the program are encouraged to contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 562-2923.

St. Paul's offers lessons, carols for Advent season

One of the treasured events on the Advent seasons at St. Paul's is the Advent Service of Lessons and Carols, which will be celebrated this year on the second Sunday of Advent, at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 8 at 901 North Main.

It is an occasion on which St. Paul invites friends and fellow Christians from other churches to share in preparation for Christmas, through the lessons which trace the centuries of waiting for the Savior and the beautiful music associated with the anticipation of the Feast of the Nativity.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served following the service.

News in Brief

Northwest's senior class to take part in graduation

Northwest's winter commencement, honoring the 381 undergraduates, 47 master's and three specialist's candidates who have completed their graduation requirements, will begin at 7 p.m. Dec. 13 in Bearcat Arena. Doors to the arena will open at 6 p.m.

Caps and gowns for graduating students participating in commencement can be picked up during finals week from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Student Services Center.

Students can also get their commencement tickets, which are limited to six per graduate at that time. A live, closed-circuit television feed will be available in Charles Johnson Theatre for those who would prefer more comfortable seating.

A reception honoring the graduates will be held at the ceremony's conclusion in the basement of

Lamkin Activity Center. Friends and family members are also invited.

Newly inducted legislators to visit Missouri Western

With the 2002 elections completed, newly elected members of the Missouri General Assembly will take to the open road for three weeks in December for the Legislative Freshman Tour.

"On Nov. 5, voters elected to send 95 new members to the Missouri House of Representatives and 15 new members to the State Senate," said Tom Vansaghi, vice president for University Relations. "The Legislative Freshman Tour will introduce these new legislators to the legislative process and give them a firsthand look at state facilities including prisons, mental hospitals and universities."

In past years, the Freshman Tour

visited all of the colleges and universities in the state, but this year the group will only visit a few schools in an effort to give the large freshman class more time to learn about the legislative process in Jefferson City.

"The tour won't make a stop in Maryville, but it's scheduled to go to St. Joseph, where Northwest will co-host a dinner with Missouri Western State College," Vansaghi said.

The dinner is scheduled for Dec. 17 on the Missouri Western campus. Northwest President Dean Hubbard will give the new legislators an introduction and overview of Northwest.

"My presentation will focus on how Northwest Missouri State University has differentiated itself from other schools in the state," Hubbard said. "I'll spend time presenting innovations like the Electronic Campus, our focus on quality and programs like the Missouri Academy."

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Nov. 27

■ While on patrol at Mozingo Lake, an officer received a report of two men illegally hunting deer in the park.

Nov. 29

■ Ryan G. Dignan, 18, Maryville, was traveling north on South Main behind Gerald T. Oriley, 44, Cosby. Oriley had to stop for traffic. Dignan struck Oriley.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that she was receiving harassing phone calls at her residence in the 100 block of North Munn.

Nov. 30

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that her son had left their residence in the 1100 block of North Main and had not returned. Her son was later located in the 300 block of East Third and then returned home. The case is being forwarded to the Juvenile Office.

■ Danielle M. Durand, 16, Maryville, and Aaron L. Luckert, 16, Parnell, were traveling south on South Main. Luckert slowed to a stop from traffic. Durand struck Luckert. Durand was issued a summons for following too close.

■ Officers received a report of an assault that took place in the 300 block of North Market. Upon arrival, Bruce A. Blackford, 35, Maryville, was issued summonses for assault, assault on a law enforcement officer, failure to comply, resisting arrest and property damage.

■ While responding to another call in the 300 block of North Market, an officer was informed of an assault taking place. Terrance T. Williams, 27, Maryville, was issued a summons for assault. Orlandos A. Thomas, 27, Maryville, was issued a summons for assault.

Dec. 1

■ An officer received a report from two Maryville individuals that their bicycles had been taken from the 500 block of North Vine.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that her vehicle had been damaged while parked in the 900 block of North Dewey.

■ Henry A. Smith, 46, Maryville, and Ross Bremner, 32, Maryville, were

traveling north on North Main. Both vehicles were getting ready to turn onto West Fourth. Bremner stopped because of a yellow light. Smith struck Bremner.

Dec. 2

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that her vehicle had been damaged while parked in various parking lots.

■ An officer received a report from a female juvenile that a male individual was harassing her.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that her checkbook and some loose change had been taken from her vehicle while it was parked in the 100 block of South Newton.

Dec. 3

■ Officers received a report of a domestic disturbance in the 200 block of West 12th. Upon arrival, Angel C. Camarena, 35, Maryville, was issued a summons for domestic assault. He was transported to Nodaway County Jail in lieu of bond.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville couple that a lawn ornament had been taken from their residence in the 600 block of South Mulberry.

■ Robert C. Sunkel, 69, Maryville, was stopped in eastbound traffic in the 100 block of South Avenue, waiting to turn left. Sara B. Freemyer, 32, Conception Junction, was traveling behind Sunkel. Freemyer struck Sunkel. Freemyer was issued a summons for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Clint D. Puckett, 18, Conception Junction, was traveling north in the 1700 block of South Main when he struck a deer. Shell's Amoco towed the vehicle.

BIRTHS

Kelsey Diane Scott

Ben and Tiffany Scott, Maryville, are the parents of Kelsey Diane, born Nov. 18 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 9 pounds, 6 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Edward and Diane Higdon, Maryville. Paternal grandparents are Lyle Scott, Shenandoah, Iowa, and Sharron Scott, Maryville.

Maternal great-grandparents are Charles and Patsy Berry, Trenton, and Catheryn Higdon, Trenton, and the

late Maurice Higdon. Paternal grandparents are Bill and Sandy Scott, Scotts Valley, Calif., and the late Ruth Fitch.

Gabriella Grace Newman

Cody and Melissa Newman, Albany, are the parents of Gabriella Grace, born Nov. 19 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Paul Newman, Albany, and Karen and Tim Willoughby, Guam, formerly of Albany.

Maternal great-grandparents are Jeri and Manley Tillison, Albany, and Harold and Mary Newman, Albany. Paternal great-grandparents are Hop and Ruby Newman, Albany, and Wendell and Martha Ware, Sedalia.

Garrett James Barnes

Jamie and Alyssa Barnes, Big Lake, are the parents of Garrett James, born Nov. 19 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Dennis and Lillian Wright, Craig. Paternal grandparents are Rick and Connie Barnes, Big Lake.

Maternal great-grandparents are Forrest and Wilma Johnson, Craig. Paternal great-grandmother is Vera Thomas, Clarinda, Iowa.

Jake Matthew Walker

Matt and Kim Walker, Maryville, are the parents of Jake Matthew, born Nov. 25 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces and joins one brother, Drew. Maternal grandparents are Skip and Pam Jaeger, Boonville. Paternal grandparents are Ken and Jan Walker, Edinboro, Pa.

Maternal great-grandparents are L.D. and Velda Burton, Boonville, and Elmer and Fern Jaeger, Boonville. Paternal great-grandparent is Dolores Mortimer, Edinboro, Pa.

Keaton McCormick Hannah

Josh and Jackie Hannah, Bolckow, are the parents of Keaton McCormick, born Nov. 25 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce. Maternal grandparents are Raymond and Phyllis Mullins, Savannah. Paternal grandparents are Delvon Hannah, Bolckow, and Bonnie Ruttes, Agency.

Maternal great-grandparent is Shirley Mullins, Oregon. Paternal great-grandparents are Veldron and

Jeannine Hannah, Bolckow, and Dale and Bonnie Drehes, Savannah.

Cassy Ann Redden

Jeff and DeAnn Redden, Ravenwood, are the parents of Cassy Ann, born Nov. 25 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and joins two sisters, Holly and Emily.

Maternal grandparents are Dennis and Betty Deemer, Leon, Iowa. Paternal grandparents are Chuck and Pat Redden, Ravenwood.

Maternal great-grandparents are Bill and Evelyn Jensen, Leon, Iowa, and Dorothy Neal, Garden Grove, Iowa. Paternal great-grandparents are Rosetta Redden, Clyde, and Teresa Farnan, Maryville. Great-great-grandmother is Hazel Russell.

Tanyen Bastian Lynch

Dennis and Alison Lynch, Sheridan, are the parents of Tanyen Bastian, born Dec. 2 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 12 ounces and joins one sister, Oleander.

Maternal grandparents are Gary McBay, Houston, Mo., and Gail McBay, Covina, Calif. Paternal grandparents are Dennis Lynch Sr., Pamona, and Adela Altman, Houston, Mo.

Maternal great-grandparents are Bill and Rheba Hanks, Covina, Calif. Paternal great-grandparents are Georgia and Willard Lynch, Mountain Grove.

DEATHS

Jean Hall

Jean Hall, 56, Ravenwood, died Nov. 21 at her home in Ravenwood.

She was born April 19, 1946, to Russell and Elizabeth Kemery in rural Grant City.

She is survived by her husband, Albert; four sons and daughter-in-laws, Jason and Cathy, Jeff and Natalie, Jared "Pete" and Jennifer, and Jamie and Monica; her mother, Elizabeth Kemery; two sisters, Donna Turnipseed and Peggy Osborn; 10 grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; many nieces and nephews.

Services were Nov. 24 at Price Funeral Home in Maryville. Burial was at Oak Lawn Cemetery in Ravenwood.

Lee B. Oliver

Lee B. Oliver, 90, Maryville, died Nov. 21 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born March 31, 1912, to Marion and Eliza Oliver in Guilford.

He is survived by three daughters and son-in-laws, Carolyn and William Sutter, Connie and Dean Kennedy, and Elaine and Ken Gilmore; three grandsons, Scott, Bryan and Brent Sutter; three great-grandsons, Dwight, Will and Evan Sutter; one great-granddaughter, Sydney Sutter; two brothers, Carl and Dale; one sister, Ethel Pugh; nieces and nephews.

Services were Nov. 26 at Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at Barnard Cemetery in Barnard.

Mary Lucinda "Lu" Taylor

Mary Lucinda "Lu" Taylor, 87, Skidmore, died Nov. 26 at Laverna Village Nursing Home in Savannah.

She was born Nov. 10, 1915, to Efram and Georgia Medsker in Maryville.

She is survived by one son, Gary Taylor; one brother, Connor Medsker; one sister, Eva Mae Linsey; one grandson; one great-granddaughter; many nieces and nephews.

Services were Nov. 29 at Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at Hillcrest Cemetery in Skidmore.

Robert Lavern Allen

Robert Lavern Allen, 69, Maryville, died Nov. 28 at his home in Maryville.

He was born Feb. 21, 1933, to Glenn Allen and Helen Mattson in Bedison.

He is survived by two sons, Charlie and John; four daughters, Stephanie, Barb Heflin, Carla Hines and Lisa Redden; 14 grandchildren; one brother, Harold; and two sisters, Judy Lyon and Kay Strueby.

Services were Dec. 2 at Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at Nodaway Memorial Cemetery in Maryville.

Robert Elmer Flynn

Robert Elmer Flynn, 80, St. Joseph, died Nov. 30 at Beverly Care Center in St. Joseph.

He was born Oct. 20, 1922, to Thomas and Fern Flynn in Joplin.

He is survived by his wife, Judy; one son, Lloyd Parr; one step-daughter, Patsy Miller; two sisters, Ada Leakey and Maudette Thompson; 11 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews; and great-nieces and nephews.

Services were Dec. 4 at Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at Hillcrest Cemetery in Skidmore.

Lois Teuscher

Lois Teuscher, 86, Clearmont, died Dec. 2 at Beverly Healthcare in Maryville.

She was born Dec. 30, 1915, to Oscar and Minnie Keever in Parnell.

She is survived by one sister-in-law, Clara Keever; three nephews, Douglas, Ron and Mark Keever; one niece, Linda Rice; great-nieces and great-nephews; one great-great-niece and one great-great-great-niece.

Graveside services were Dec. 4 at Rose Hill Cemetery in Parnell.

Edna Jean Hall

Edna Jean Hall, 94, Maryville, died Dec. 2 at Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines, Iowa.

She was born Aug. 19, 1908, to Auris and Mary McIntosh in Brooklyn.

She is survived by one son, Richard; one daughter, Erma Louise Payne; four grandchildren, Susan Baker, Andrea Blumquist, Alex and Nathan; three great-grandchildren, Art, Ed and Carrie Baker; one brother, Howard; and two sisters, Helen Olsen and Marjorie Laveley.

Services were Dec. 7 at Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial will be at Nodaway Memorial Cemetery in Maryville.

Albert Maurice Swaney

Albert Maurice Swaney, 89, Maryville, died Nov. 27 at his home in Maryville.

He was born Jan. 15, 1913, to Gilbert Aken and Myrtle Swaney in Pickering.

He is survived by his wife, Jean; one son and his wife, Gary and Barbara; one daughter-in-law, Margaret; four grandchildren, Kevin, Garth, Lori Miller and Dyan Dornbudak; and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 2 at Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at White Oak Cemetery in Pickering.

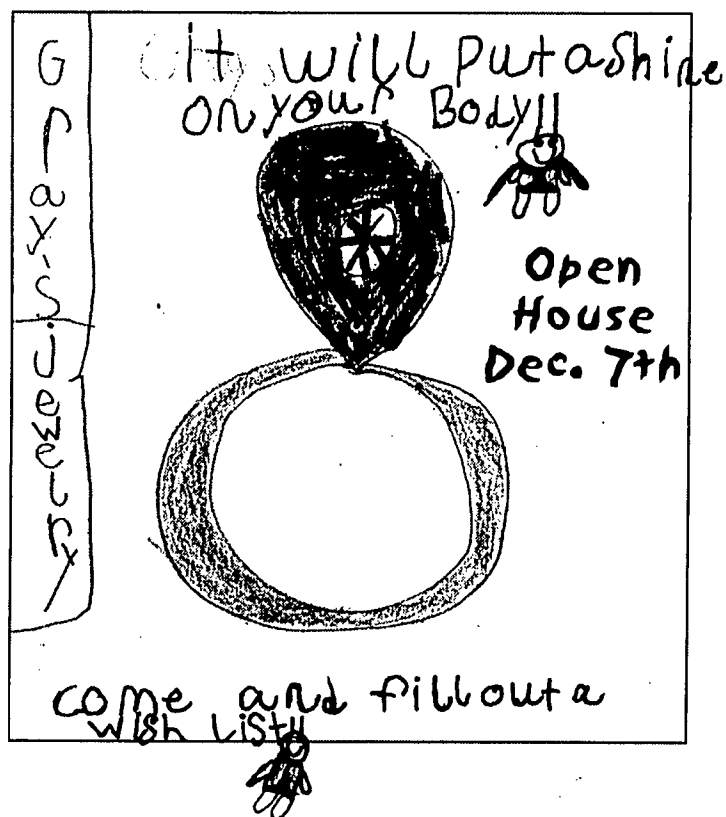
J. Bryan Bosch

J. Bryan Bosch, 96, Ravenwood, died Nov. 25 at his home in Ravenwood.

He was born Jan. 4, 1906, to Benjamin and Cora Bosch in Orrsburg.

He is survived by one daughter, Jacqueline Wardrobe; one stepson, John Giesken; four step-grandchildren; four step-great-grandchildren; two step-great-great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews.

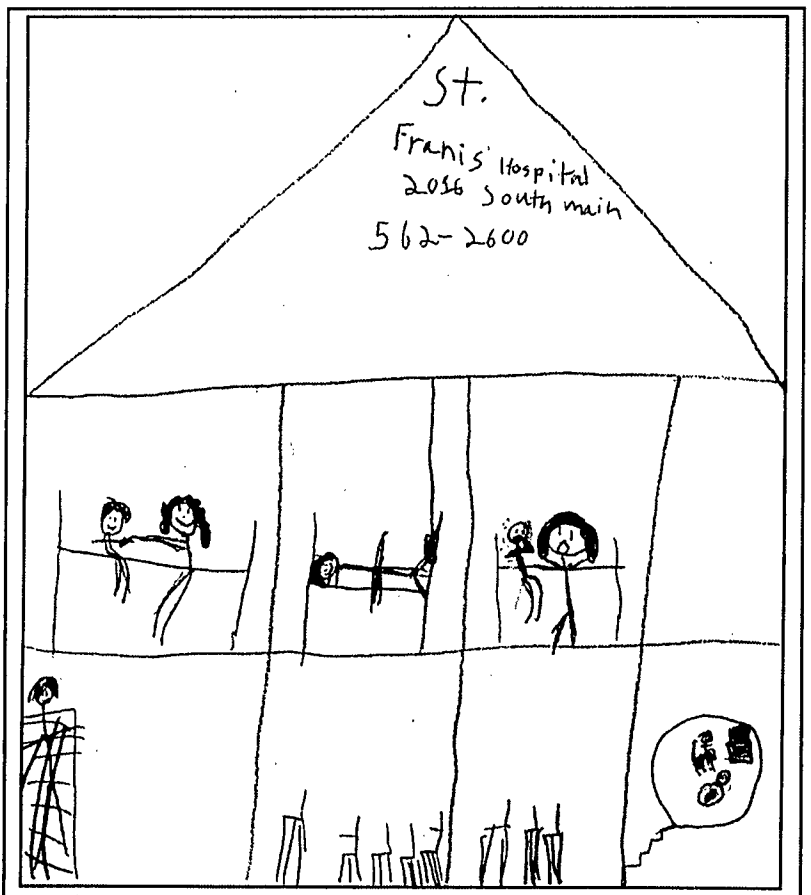
Services were Nov. 29 at Price Funeral Home in Maryville. Burial was at Oak Lawn Cemetery.



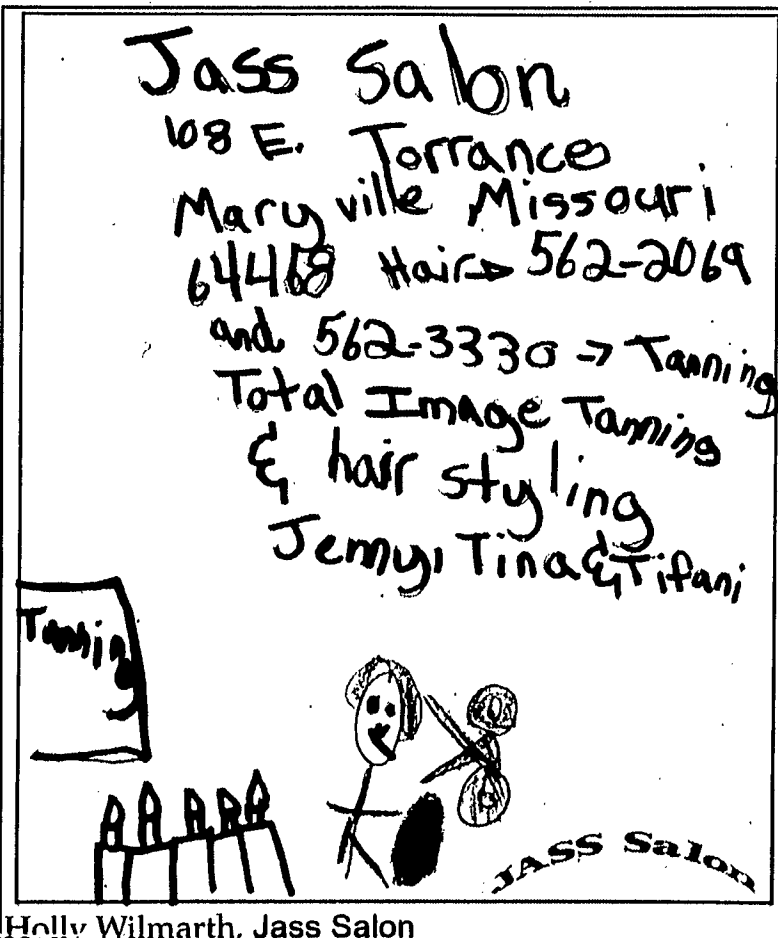
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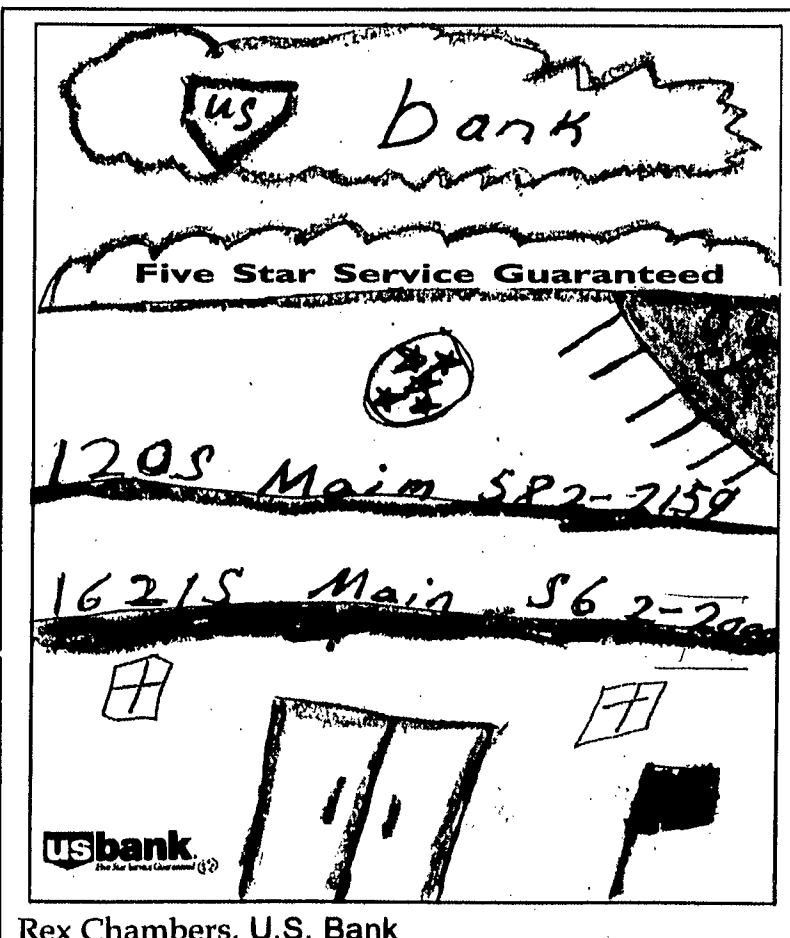
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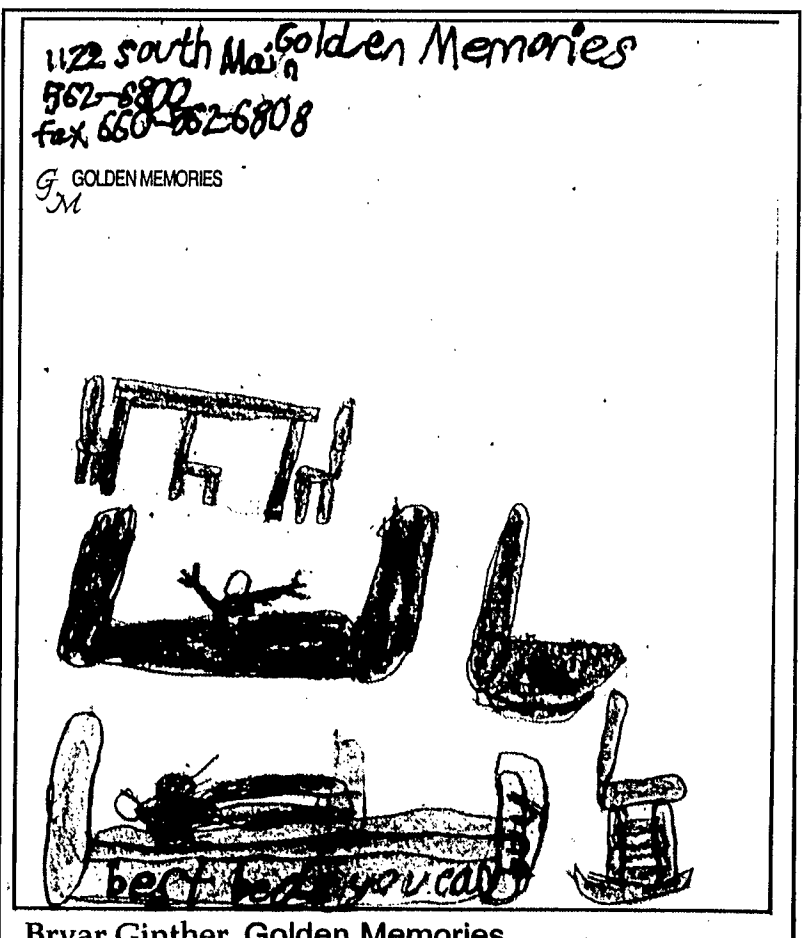
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Staff member celebrates 40 years at Northwest

By JESSICA TASLER
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

As the trimester comes to a close, 61 faculty and staff members will be honored with a luncheon to recognize their hard work.

Northwest employees will gather at noon Dec. 18 in the Union Ballroom for the Staff Appreciation and Recognition Luncheon. The luncheon will recognize the work and dedication employees have put forth at Northwest through the years.

However, there is one woman who defines the word dedication. Data Processing Manager Marylin Alloway, who has been employed at Northwest since August 1962, will be recognized for being at Northwest for 40 years.

Born and raised in Graham, Alloway searched for a job after graduating from high school. She knew she needed a job to stay close to home to care for her younger sister. A neighbor and friend suggested she apply for a job at Northwest, a 15-minute commute. Alloway applied and was hired to work in the Registrar's Office, but made her home in Computing Services six months later.

Throughout the years, Alloway has seen the University through many changes. One of her memories includes the fire in the Administration Building.

"I was in the Administration Building when it was on fire," Alloway said. "I thought I was going to lose my life

that day."

The most significant change Alloway has seen during the years, especially with her position on campus, is the change in technology, especially when Northwest became the Electronic Campus.

"When we became an electronic campus and put the computers in all the rooms, it was a gigantic leap," she said. "It really helped the students."

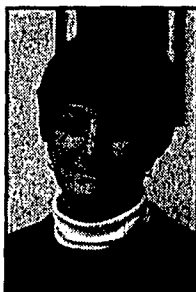
Although there are many reasons Alloway has remained a faithful employee, she recalled a goal she set for herself many years ago. When the President's Secretary, Monica Zeifas, retired after being employed with Northwest for 38 years, Alloway set a goal for herself to stay at Northwest for 39 years.

"As far as I know, Monica had been employed here the longest, so when she retired I knew I had to be here at least 39 years," Alloway said.

Alloway remains an employee beyond her 39-year goal. She will be recognized for her 40 years at Northwest with a gift at the luncheon.

Director of Human Resources Mary Throener said that it is necessary that those like Alloway be recognized at the luncheon.

"It is important that we honor those who reach their milestone mark so they can be recognized for serving this University," Throener said. "They should be honored and respected by their peers and by the administration."



MARYLIN ALLOWAY
DATA PROCESSING MANAGER

CITY COUNCIL from 1A

Restaurants could become smoke free

to classify the business as a restaurant or a bar.

"I have a big sign right on my door when you walk in, 'If you are bothered by smoke, please do not come in, we do not have a non-smoking section,'" White said. "I make no bones about it. If somebody wants to voluntarily do that, that's great for them. But I don't see why we should have to have a law telling me what I can and can't do on my own property."

White said the issue consists of customer choice.

"If I'm in some place and I don't like the food or the service or the atmosphere, I don't go back," he said. "If the place is too smoky for you, don't come in. It's very simple."

Another concerned citizen, Gary Cook, said that although he supports a non-smoking environment he sees no need for a city ordinance.

"If you guys keep making ordinances to control, we're going to get more vacant businesses and it's so much easier to get up and go someplace else to eat, so you're taking this business away," he said. "I think the idea if a restaurant wants to be smoke free, power to them, but if somebody else wants to let them smoke in their restaurant, power to them. But I don't think you want to take that right away from them."

City Manager Matt Chesnut was concerned about how the ordinance would be enforced if it were passed. Baker said other communities have

imposed fines and other penalties in regards to breaking the ordinance. She also said the enforcement would not necessarily lie solely on Public Safety, but could also be enforced by the state through health department compliance checks.

The Council ultimately decided to set up discussion forums with restaurant owners to gain feedback about the issue before drafting any ordinances.

In other Council news, the Department of Public Safety in conjunction with members of the Maryville and Polk Township fire departments celebrated their recent certification of becoming "storm ready." State emergency representatives and a representative from the National Weather Service were on hand to present a plaque and new signs to Moss for the accomplishment.

Keith Wood, director of Public Safety, said the process to become certified took about 18 months setting up the required criteria, including the way weather information is gathered and assimilated into the department and throughout the community. Wood said being "storm ready" means that all procedures are in place to prevent any threat to the community. Only 20 communities throughout the state have undergone the certification process.

A special thanks was given to "the heroes in the room," the approximately 20 volunteers from the fire departments that attended the meeting.

STUDENT SENATE from 1A

Student Senate discusses Referendum A

while attending SAM meetings. There is a set amount that SAM gives students depending on where meetings take place. For meetings in Columbia, SAM gives the Senate \$123 per vehicle and \$250.10 for meetings in Cape Girardeau.

SAM is a not-for-profit organization owned and operated by students of Missouri colleges and universities and is governed by a student assembly. The three-year organization currently has two full-fledged voting members, Southeast Missouri State University and Truman State University.

Along with Northwest, five other universities have speaking rights, including Missouri Western State College, Central Missouri State College, Southwest Missouri State University, Lincoln University and Missouri Southern State College.

Janson Thomas, junior class representative, said the results were good enough for Senate.

"It was a student vote, not a poll or a survey," Thomas said. "I'm very pleased that the Senate supported the students' opinions. It sends a strong message to Dr. (Kent) Porterfield, who will take the resolution to the President's Cabinet."

Porterfield, vice president of student affairs, is one of three advisers who overlook the Senate. Porterfield also relays proposals from the Senate to the President's Cabinet, which is then passed onto the Board of Regents

if the Cabinet approves the proposal. Porterfield said there are a lot of questions that need to be answered.

"We're in new territory," Porterfield said. "I can't recall a time when the Senate has recommended a fee on the students. We need to make sure it is appropriate."

If the President's Cabinet passes the proposal, it will go to the Board of Regents before the referendum is officially instated.

Board Representative Eric Willis said Northwest would benefit from joining SAM.

"I think it's very important for us to become a member because it provides lobbying for state issues," Willis said. "I think the sky is the limit for SAM."

If the referendum gets approved by the President's Cabinet and the Board of Regents, the SAM membership will not be validated until next fall. Until that time, the Senate has to take funds out of its own budget to fund for lodging, meals and transportation during the duration of the trips.

Ryan Bauer, vice president of SAM, is on the recruitment team and makes contact with various Senate organizations from other colleges and universities.

Bauer said he is confident Northwest will become a member of SAM.

"I think we're in a position to have an extraordinary amount of influence on SAM," Bauer said. "I think we can contribute to SAM in a lot of ways."



Performers in the dance number "High Life" rehearse in the Performing Arts Center in preparation for the fall dance show. This dance was choreographed by Janis Evans and can be seen at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

Dance company to perform show

By JANELLE DAVID
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

This weekend Northwest welcomes the public to attend the first dance production to be administered and performed by a newly approved independent organization.

With a running time of one hour, "Reflections" will premiere at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

"Reflections," Northwest's sixth dance show, is based upon the rumination of life itself, expressed through dance and movement, said Candice Allen, dancer/advertising chair. Consisting of approximately 55 dancers, 10 choreographers and eight lighting designers, "Reflections" will feature

nine dances, created solely by students, with the exception of two faculty members. The dance styles will range from jazz to modern dance.

Sponsored by Rhetta Vetter, the Northwest Dance Company, once recognized by the department of health, physical education, recreation and dance, has recently been declared an independently student-run organization. Rehearsals for the show have been conducted since Sept. 16.

The dancers are enjoying the benefits accompanied by this change.

"Since we've become a student-run organization, we've had more opportunities to be involved with the Dance Company," Allen said.

Many of the dancers recognize the

dedication required for the managerial aspects as well.

"Along with all the hard work, this experience will pay off within future leadership opportunities," said Dancer/Treasurer Ashley Tyser.

The dancers hope to see a significant number of spectators attend the event.

"We've always had a high caliber of performance and a great turnout so I expect the same, if not more, for this show," Allen said.

Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the Student Services Desk on the first floor of the Administration Building. All proceeds for the event go toward benefits for the Dance Company, such as costumes and lighting equipment.

MINORITY FACULTY from 1A

Recruitment progresses for minority faculty at Northwest

specifically targets minority students.

The Diversity Strategic Initiative also cites a goal of increasing minority employees on campus from 6 percent in 2001-2002 to 10 percent by 2004-2005. However, this goal includes all employees; the initiative does not have a specific goal to increase minority or black faculty. According to University Provost Taylor Barnes, there is no faculty recruitment center.

Despite the lack of a specific goal, Carol Cowles, assistant vice president for student affairs, said that recruiting black faculty is important.

"It is absolutely necessary," Cowles said. "Seeing someone that you could be, seeing someone identifiable to you is enormously important."

According to the Northwest manual, "Policies and Procedures for Filling Faculty Position Vacancies," the responsibility for recruiting new faculty falls upon two individuals, the department chair and the director of Human Resources. The chair of the department pursuing applicants is responsible for actively seeking "applications from women and members of minorities who may possess the stated qualifications for the faculty position vacancy."

To recruit African-American faculty, department chairs relied on their own contacts and advertising. Theophil Ross, chair of the department of communication, theater and modern languages, said Northwest is committed to increasing faculty diversity.

"Northwest has an obligation to provide opportunities for diversity," Ross said. "I'm very supportive of that."

To advertise, department chairs fill out a form for Human Resources, outlining where they would like ads to be placed.

FACULTY SENATE from 1A

Faculty Senate debates course hours, academic honesty

we thought others would."

While many senators shook their heads in approval in response to Fulton's comment, Duane Jewell, chair of budget, planning and development spoke out.

"Anything we decided to do won't go into effect for two years," he said. "We don't want to upset the Board of Regents by pushing their hands."

The debate ignited as senators began discussing Senates' role as a voice for University departments.

"Faculty Senate passed these last year," Fulton said. "All were asking them to do is act on it. We have a major responsibility to the curriculum and if we don't act, that means Faculty Senate isn't interested in this issue. We're talking about students here. We're not talking about upsetting someone on the Board of Regents."

Jeff Ferguson, chair of admissions and advanced standing, said he would be irritated to see the issue unresolved because he believes the courses are important.

Gregory Haddock, Faculty Senate president, will approach the Board of

the form does not include the option of placing an ad in minority journals.

Minority recruitment is also the responsibility of the director of Human Resources who should, according to the manual, "distribute the announcement to minority institutions."

Mary Throener, director of Human Resources and equal employment opportunity officer, said she does not direct department chairs in their advertisement, although she may make a suggestion about a minority journal.

Barnes said 95 percent of department chairs simply request an ad in the *Chronicle of Higher Education*.

"You have to do more than just put an announcement in the *Chronicle*," Barnes said.

According to documents provided by the Office of Human Resources, advertisements for the 24 faculty vacancies in 2002 were placed in 18 journals or online directories. Only one of these publications is a minority specific journal, *Minority Women's Doctoral Directory*.

There are more than 100 minority specific journals and online databases in which Northwest could advertise, including the *Black Business Journal*, *Journal of Blacks in Higher Education* and the *Future Black Faculty Database*.

"Searches take time," Barnes said. "It's a workload issue."

The EEO officer is responsible for overseeing the hiring and recruitment process. According to Equal Opportunity Guidelines, an EEO officer's responsibilities include "periodically reviewing hiring process and results to ensure that minorities and women are given full opportunities to employment, transfer, and/or promotion."

Northwest sends an EEO form to

each applicant after all application materials are received. This form requests information from applicants, such as their race/ethnicity, handicapped status and educational background.

"After the process is finished, I receive a report about how many people were interviewed and how many were minorities," Throener said. "It would be helpful to be in the middle of the process."

Minority recruitment at other area universities varies from Northwest's plan.

"It's a statewide issue," said Quentin Wilson, Missouri commissioner of higher education. "Something we need to focus on at all institutions."

At Central Missouri State University, the Human Resources director is extensively involved in the overall search process. The director receives a search plan as part of the departmental request to fill a faculty position. The request requires department chairs to submit a "mailing list of institutions, organizations, professional caucuses, including those with predominantly female and/or minority membership."

Requiring department chairs to develop a search plan that includes minorities would raise awareness to the issue and could help recruit minority faculty. Northwest could also use free services like minority vita banks, advertise in other minority journals and expand those involved in the search process.

President Dean Hubbard agrees the recruitment of minority faculty is important but said he thought the University is doing all that it can do.

"If I was convinced that a department or college were not pursuing minorities, I would move in, in a heartbeat," Hubbard said.

agriculture department were split when it comes to giving a student dishonesty leeway or filing an 'F' Other chairs, however, would rather wait to approach their department until the University attorney reads over a structured policy.

"I think we are worrying too much on legal opinion," Fulton said. "We have a process with a procedure to follow."

But Jewell said it should not be up to the University attorney, but to the instructor.

"I believe the instructor should have the option to do what they want when it comes to academic dishonesty," he said. "I've had cases in my department before, but those students knew they did it and didn't question it."

Carla Edwards, chair of the committee, will take the chairs' responses and she, along with the committee, will write a proposal on a clarified dishonesty policy and present it at the next meeting.

Faculty Senate will meet again at 3:15 p.m. Jan. 22 in the Academic Hub Shared Conference Room, 253 Administration Building.

Fraternity produces children's play

By LORI MEYER
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

An Alpha Psi Omega (APO), an honorary theatre fraternity, tradition continues with the performance of the children's show titled "Wiley and the Hairy Man" for area children.

The APO Children's Show will be touring from Dec. 16 - Dec. 20. APO will also be performing at Northwest at 2 p.m. Dec. 8 in the Charles Johnson Theatre.

Other performances will be held at 8:30 a.m. Dec. 16 at Eugene Field Elementary School in Maryville and at 8:30 a.m. Dec. 17 at North Nodaway Elementary School in Pickering.

Admission to the performance is either a non-perishable food item or a monetary donation.

Proceeds from the performances will go to the Children and Family Center of Northwest Missouri. The Center helps those who are at risk of or experiencing family violence. The Center offers counseling and a 24-hour crisis shelter.

"I love acting and these performances are for a good cause," said APO Member Steven Terry. "And what better reward is there than to hear kids laughing and enjoying themselves because of your talents."

The show, performed by APO members, is about a little boy and the courage it takes to overcome the obstacles in his life.

Wiley is told that if he outwits the Hairy Man three times he will never be bothered by him again.

Wiley's ventures to the swamp to overcome the Hairy Man are presented in lyric poetry and mime.

"They (APO members) give up a week of their Christmas vacation and their evenings off in order to bring theatre and entertainment to children who might never get to experience this art form," said APO Director Steven Salcedo.

McCOY from 1A

December marks death anniversary

or his family has been established outside the trial since Sarah's death, Kyle said no doubt remains in his mind that Tripp is responsible and should be found guilty of the crime. In the meantime, memories and the everlasting presence of Sarah help him, his family and friends to carry on to brighter days.

"I'd like the trial to be over," Kyle said. "I don't try to think about it that often, but I don't want to quit thinking about Sarah. I'll always remember her forever. But I do want to put the trial in its place and move on."

The many friends of the McCoy's have permanently honored her memory with the dedication of a bench and oak tree at Easton's city park last May. Sarah's teammates on the East Buchanan softball team also retired her softball jersey last spring.

Most recently, 823 people gathered Nov. 25 at Caring First Assembly of God Church in St. Joseph for the Festival of Praise: Celebrating the Life of Sarah Beth McCoy, organized by local churches and the Sarah Beth McCoy Foundation. The foundation was set up by attorney Steve Mowry and his wife Ann, whose daughters attend East Buchanan, to donate scholarships to East Buchanan High School graduates in Sarah's memory. Anna Watts, a 2002 graduate, was the first recipient of the scholarship. Watts is currently enrolled at William Jewell College in Kansas City, Mo.

"We hope to someday give out more than one scholarship," said Kyle, who serves on the foundation's board with his parents and teachers from East Buchanan. "Maybe in 2005, which is when she would have graduated, we can try to do something for all the kids."

Kyle said despite the upcoming second trial and constant daily reminders, both happy and sad, of his sister's life and death, time will eventually heal the pain.

"From the initial day, it's gotten easier since then," he said. "There's a day here and there, but overall it seems to get just a little bit better every day."

While one day the trial will end and pleasant memories will replace those filled with anguish, Kyle rests in the comfort that years from now Sarah's memory will remain as vibrant as ever and one day, he will pass stories of her life on to children of his own.

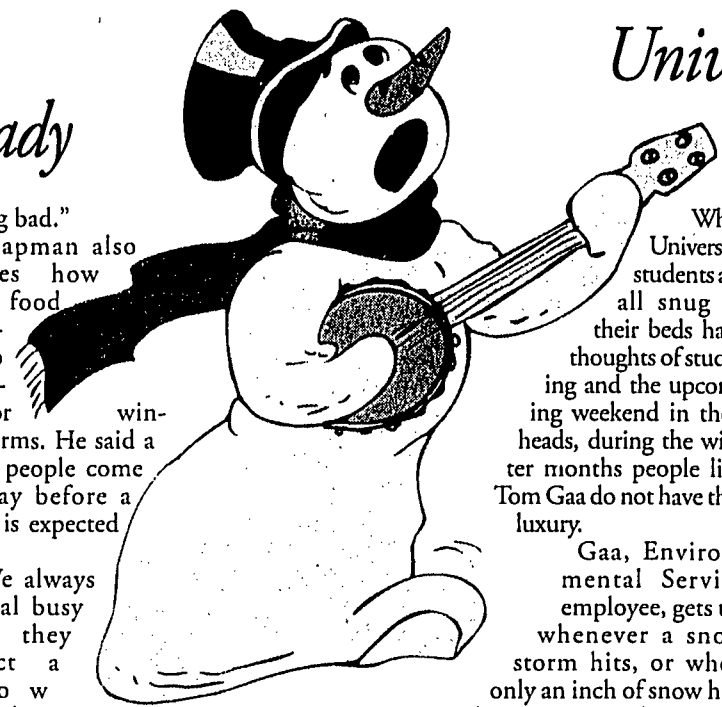
"I'll tell them everything that I knew about her, and who she was," he said. "She had a big heart and had a way to make everybody smile. She was the kind of person who really would have liked nieces and nephews."

Winter Weather Watchers

Stories by PETE GUTSCHENRITTER/Chief Reporter

*When winter storms attack
Maryville city workers are ready*

*University officials ensure safety
during inclement weather*



In mid-January when the bone-chilling temperatures and the wind chill in the negative teens hit the Midwest, everyone will be trying to stay warm by the fire.

However, city workers, store managers and school principals try to make decisions that effect the whole city and work until everything is in place.

One person in particular is responsible for getting 80 miles cleared during the course of a storm.

Greg Decker, director of Public Works for Maryville, said he has a certain weather process.

"We always watch the forecast first and we have a person on call 24 hours a day," Decker said. "We then make a call to get a salt truck out there. Even on Christmas Day, we have people available."

Decker has 10 different machines that are within a walk away and 21 men who are only a call away.

"The worst thing that can happen is if the machinery doesn't work, but we have snow plows ready right now," Decker said. "Manpower isn't a problem. Equipment can be a problem, but you can never plan for that."

At the Maryville Public School District Office, school officials are also up in the middle of the night making

important decisions. At about 5 a.m., Assistant Superintendent B.C. Thompson travels to the different bus stops and school areas.

B.C. Thompson said there is a certain procedure they take when determining if school should be canceled.

"We have a bus company here and (bus manager) Ron Thompson has drivers on all of the quadrants and they drive out to their site and they might say, 'I got in here, but it's really bad,'" B.C. Thompson said. "At the southeast quadrant we have to make a road trip and we meet with him (Ron Thompson) to determine if it's safe."

B.C. Thompson said if the school decides to dismiss at noon, they have to make a decision at 10 a.m. due to the fact that parents have to make different arrangements.

He also said they have to make the decision to cancel school before that morning.

"We've had one or two occasions where we have called it off the day before," Thompson said. "Two years ago we had two days like that but that's a once in two to three years occasion."

At the Maryville Hy-Vee, Store Director Greg Chapman has many decisions to make that effect the whole city.

Chapman said it can be tough to field a crew that will be able to run the store if other employees cannot make it.

"It is tough for some of our employees to get here but it's also tough for our customers to get here so it kind of balances itself out," Chapman said. "The people in town usually make it to work, but the people that live out of town don't make it to work or they leave early if the weather starts

getting bad."

Chapman also decides how much food to order to prepare for

winter storms. He said a lot of people come the day before a storm is expected to hit.

"We always get real busy when they predict a snow storm because people know that they're not going to get out for a day or two," Chapman said. "That always happens and it's always hard to get stocked up on bread and milk in those situations, but we do our best to listen to the weather and try to order accordingly."

Banks across the city also have to prepare for customers that come in during bad weather. Nodaway Valley Bank is one of the main banks in town and there are two drive-through locations along with the main branch.

Cashier Ed Schieber said they have a plan installed if the snow starts to pile up and they make an effort to get all employees to work.

"We have a contract with the local snow removal company and we have them come in any time we get an inch of snow and they come in and clear our parking lot and we have a snow blower that we keep the sidewalks cleared with," Schieber said. "It's a challenge for us and if we need to we can always help them get in with our four-wheel drive vehicles."

While University students are all snug in their beds have thoughts of studying and the upcoming weekend in their heads, during the winter months people like Tom Gaa do not have that luxury.

Gaa, Environmental Service employee, gets up whenever a snow storm hits, or when only an inch of snow hits the area. Gaa, along with

Lezlee Johnson, Environmental Services director, are the first people to assess the snow situation on campus.

Gaa said he never knows when he will get a call to take the truck out.

"Campus Safety will call and it might be 2 or 4 a.m.," Gaa said. "We might be out until 7 or 8 p.m. and early the next morning, it's the same way."

Gaa and the other 11 workers will go through the main streets, sidewalks and short cuts that students take to get around campus, and the areas next to the residence and academic halls on campus.

Gaa said it can be tough to get sleep during those days and weeks of winter storms, but safety is first.

"We try to get as much sleep as we can," Gaa said. "But we try our best to take care of the University the best we can. But there are always going to be complaints coming in."

Johnson said one crew works on streets and parking lots and another crew works on sidewalks that go throughout the University. Johnson said the first crew

concentrates on the streets that lead to various parking lots and then they scrape the commuter lots before getting the resident lots.

The second crew shovels the sidewalks from each residence hall to the Union before making a route from the Union to different academic halls, Johnson said. For all of the projects, Johnson said the equipment they use are converted from the equipment they use on the University farms.

Johnson said they are always prepared for snow.

"We have a satellite feed here (the Environmental Services building) and it's updated every 20 minutes," Johnson said. "We've been ready for four weeks and we did preparation for the tractors."

Ray Courter, vice president of Financial Services, also looks over operations that go on throughout the campus.

"When we have snow storms that require the crew, I've always been amazed with how they do it and how hard they work," Courter said. "They devote endless hours to it and in the case of using sweeping equipment and lifting equipment, we have a protocol and we try to move expeditiously."

Courter said the annual operating budget varies from year to year, due to the fact that the salt and sand ordered depends on the amount of snowfall. The main concern is for students.

"Our first concern is to provide access for the students within those priorities and the halls," Courter said. "We don't stop until we achieve that."

Before the snow is cleared and the trucks have been put away, Provost Taylor Barnes has the daunting task of deciding if classes will continue as scheduled.

Barnes said it is usually a tough decision to make.

"In any time of inclement weather,

snow and ice is most concerning," Barnes said. "The No. 1 concern is to ensure the safety of students and staff."

Barnes said he makes his decision based on three different categories of where students live. Barnes said that about one-third of all students live in residence halls, while another large group of students live within walking distance. Barnes also said commuters who live two to three miles from campus also play into the decision.

Barnes said he works with Environmental Services workers that come out and a decision has to be made by 6 a.m. Last year Barnes had to make a tough decision involving night classes. Barnes said a lot of students thought classes should have been canceled but Barnes decided not to cancel classes because faculty were still on campus.

Barnes said he had an interesting experience last year, but tries to make the best decisions possible.

"Last year I had to pick up a student that lived off-campus during that night so that was a quite a thing," Barnes said. "I would say students should walk because I know students that live by the post office and they drive to school. That might be the time to put on their boots and walk to class."

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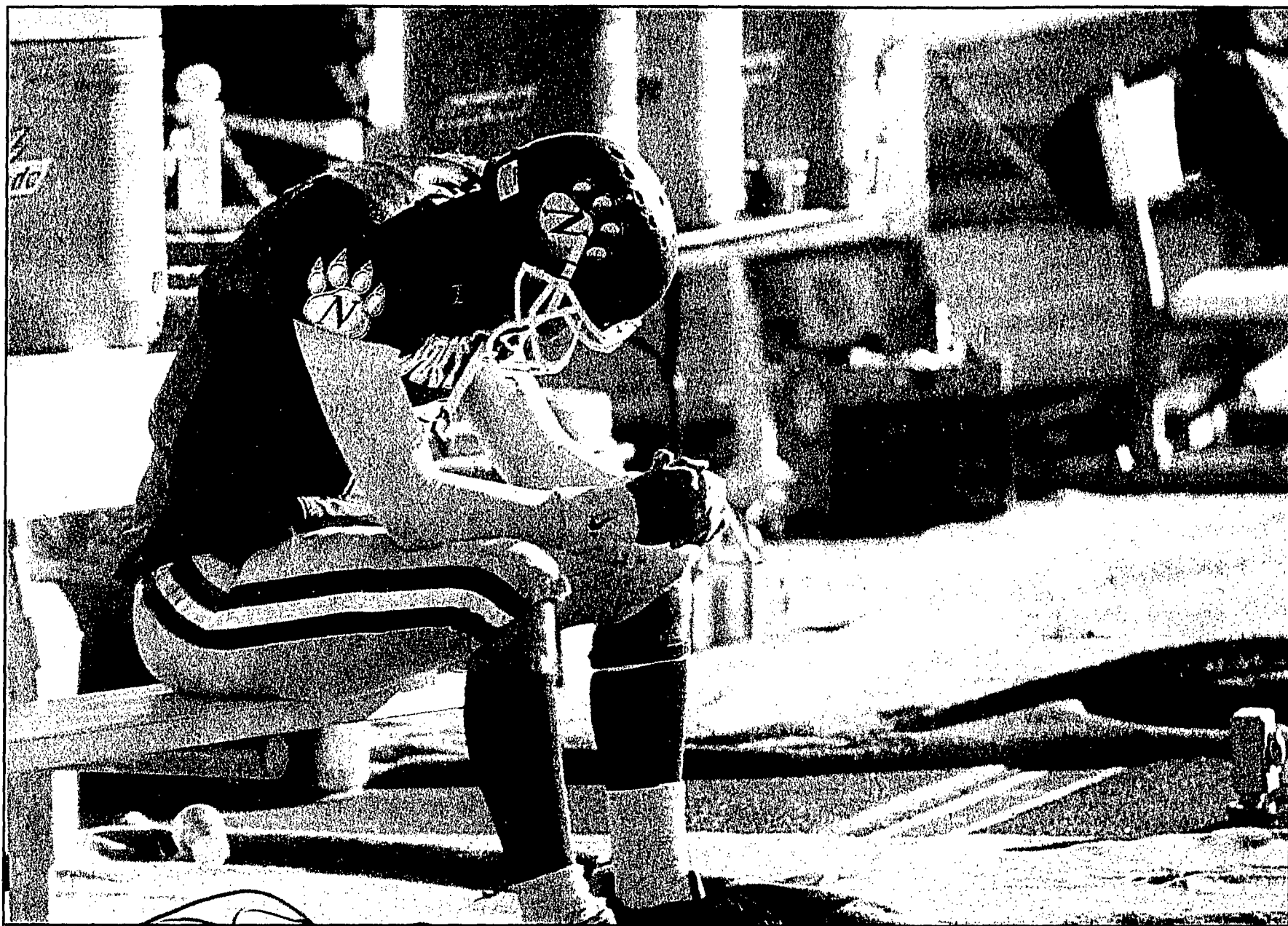
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Northwest quarterback John McMenamin bows his head as time ticks down in the 23-12 loss Saturday. The University of Northern Colorado defeated the Bearcats to advance

to the semifinals in the Division II National Championship. McMenamin finished his career as the passing leader ahead of former quarterback Chris Griesen.

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BYE BYE 'BAMA

Northern Colorado ends Northwest's quest for third national title

By CLARK GRELL
SPORTS EDITOR

Heads were down and tears were flowing as Northwest suffered a loss for the first and last time this season.

Northwest's season came to an end Saturday, after the University of Northern Colorado handed the Bearcats a 23-12 loss at Rickenbrode Stadium in quarterfinal action.

The Bears were able to control the tone of the game and frustrate the Bearcats on both sides of the ball.

"There is not much to say," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We were really manhandled in the second half."

The Bearcats had their opportunities. Several times throughout the game, Northwest found itself in position to either take the lead or edge closer to it.

The second half started with Northwest trailing 10-6. Sophomore Morris White returned the second half kickoff to the UNC 49-yard line.

The Bearcats would drive the ball to the UNC 21-yard line, but senior kicker Eddie Ibarra missed a 38-yard field goal, which would have pulled the

Bearcats within one point.

"We had a great drive to start the second half," Tjeerdsma said. "(We) stalled out on that and from that point it just went bad."

Later on, UNC quarterback Mark Passard threw a pass into the hands of Northwest sophomore cornerback Tony Glover in the corner of the end zone.

"We needed a big play, we needed a big stop on 'D,'" Glover said. "I felt like giving our offense the ball, that would have given us the opportunity we needed. (It) just didn't work out that way."

Instead of a possible 24-6 deficit, Northwest had the chance to get back into the game.

But after driving the ball to near midfield, the Bearcats were forced to punt.

The following drive, sophomore Chad Bostwick blocked a UNC punt. The ball was recovered at the UNC 14-yard line. Once again, the Bearcats had a chance to score.

"At that point we just needed a big play," Bostwick said. "Something to get us going, to get some momentum for us. A big play like that usually is a

turning point in a big game like this.

(We) just couldn't get it going after that."

The Bearcats only needed 14 yards to score.

Senior quarterback John McMenamin recovered his own fumble on first down at the UNC 17-yard line.

The Bearcats went for it on fourth down at the 10-yard line after a seven-yard completion to freshman fullback Daren Roberts and an incomplete pass to sophomore wide receiver Jamaica Rector.

Fourth down saw McMenamin swing a pass out to Geromy Scaggs, but the senior running back came up a yard short of the first down.

UNC set the tone of the game early on.

The Bears scored on the first possession of the game, a nine-play 83-yard drive capped off by a 27-yard pass from Passard to wide receiver Brad Pyatt.

Late in the second quarter, the Bears went up 10-6 on a 20-yard field goal from Mike Swim.

It took only 1 minute, 38 seconds early in the third quarter for the Bears to score their second touchdown of the game.

Once again, Passard connected with Pyatt, this time for 40 yards. It gave the Bears a 17-6 lead.

"We just didn't seem to have an answer for it, no matter what they did," Tjeerdsma said. "That's the difference of the ball game."



PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

Defensive lineman Justin Lacy gets a hand up to try and knock down UNC quarterback Mark Passard's pass.

Heart, unity remain key to seniors' success in 2002

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
CHIEF REPORTER

After 13 games and nearly four months of practice, the Northwest seniors wore the green and white for the last time Saturday as the team fell 23-12 against the University of Northern Colorado.

The 'Cats came into the quarterfinals with a 12-0 record and a trip to Grand Valley, Mich. on the line but it was the Bears that came out as winner of the Midwest region.

Regardless, senior safety Ryan Miller said his Northwest football career has been a great ride.

"It was a great season," Miller said. "It's been a great five years since I've been here. I've been through two national championships, four conference championships and the thing I'll remember the most is the way the team bounced back from a 7-4 season for this year."

Miller, who had four tackles in his last game as a Bearcat, said the defense and offense needed to play well on the same day.

"At times the defense wasn't playing real well and the offense was playing real well," Miller said. "It seems like on every team, you strive for that game where you

put it all together and that was one thing we strived for and we did it against Pittsburg State at Arrowhead Stadium in front of 27,000 people. I don't know, maybe that's what it takes, maybe we need to get about 27,000 people to come here."

Senior quarterback John McMenamin said the team showed a lot of heart.

"We're probably not the most athletic team or the smartest team ever but we have a lot of heart and we're really a family," McMenamin said. "I was proud of how we did."

Senior receiver John Orte said the team should not hang their heads.

"I think we had a great year and at 12-1, everyone but one team is going to end the season with a loss," Orte said. "We just didn't come through today when we needed to make big plays."

After the game, most seniors became glassy-eyed with their faces in their hands. But all of them eventually caught up with head coach Mel Tjeerdsma to exchange hugs.

Tjeerdsma said this year's class is unique.

"The thing I feel the most about them (seniors) is they probably



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Senior defensive tackle Justin Bowser hurries UNC quarterback Mark Passard during Saturday's 23-12 loss. Bowser finished the year with 39 tackles.

achieved as much as any class we've ever had this year," Tjeerdsma said. "What they did and how they accomplished it and coming from where we did, we were 7-4 last year and even at 7-4 we probably weren't anywhere close to being a great football team."

Tjeerdsma said this senior class is different from the rest in two ways.

"The thing I'll always remember about this group is they always believed," Tjeerdsma said. "They always felt they could get the job done and somehow, some way, they got it done."

Bearcat offense disappears in loss

By CLARK GRELL
SPORTS EDITOR

Throughout the season, the Northwest offense struggled at times, but not like they did in the 23-12 loss to the University of Northern Colorado Saturday.

The Bearcats could only gain 123 yards of total offense on the day, a season low.

"I give a lot of credit to their defense," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "When you can't score and you can't get first downs, it's pretty tough to do anything."

The Bearcats scrapped for nine first downs, three of those not coming until the last drive of the ball game.

Even the UNC offense struggled at times on a day that featured cold temperatures and 30 mph winds.

However, senior quarterback John McMenamin said Mother Nature's role was not a factor in the outcome.

"The cold didn't matter," he said. "It (the wind) effects you a little bit but not enough to alter your game plan. They still scored 23 points in it; we didn't. Both teams got to play in it."

It seemed like it was going to be a normal day for the Northwest offense as they scored on their second drive of the game.

McMenamin found senior tight end Chris Burke in the back of the end zone for five yards to put the 'Cats on the board.

Despite the missed extra point, Northwest was within one point and feeling comfortable.

However, the UNC defense would create problems for the Bearcats the rest of the game. The Bearcats would punt six times, throw an interception, fumble, miss a field goal and turn the ball over on downs on their next 10 possessions.

"They're a good defense," senior quarterback John McMenamin said. "They're pretty quick. They are probably not the strongest or fastest or anything like that but they never quit. They got motors and they never stop and it showed today (Saturday)."

After a UNC touchdown that put the Bears up 24-6, Northwest was able to drive the ball 39 yards and score on a 10-yard pass to senior wide receiver Mark Stewart from McMenamin. But all the touchdown did was decrease the deficit as it was on the game's final play.

UNC defensive end Anthony Dunn said the similarities in the two offenses was an advantage for the Bears.

"We knew they were a passing team and we came in here expecting the pass," he said. "I think we just did basically what we'd been doing all year. There really isn't anything different with this offense. They run the same kind of offense that we run."

The running game, which was a concern for the Bearcats most of the season, haunted Northwest Saturday.

UNC held the Bearcats to minus eight yards rushing. This, one week after Northwest was able to rush for more than 200 yards in a 45-41 win over the University of Minnesota-Duluth.

Freshman fullback Daren Roberts and freshman wide receiver Andre Rector were the Bearcat's leading rushers, rushing for 12 yards each.

Freshman running back Mitch Herring and senior running back Geromy Scaggs combined for 22 yards, one week after the two combined for 138 yards.

The Northwest passing game was under pressure as well.

McMenamin was 18 of 31 for 131 yards, a season low.

"Their front seven got to me a few times," McMenamin said. "They just played well today."

McMenamin was sacked only three times, but the UNC defensive line was in the backfield chasing him all day long.

"Even when they didn't get the sack, they were getting a lot of pressure on," Tjeerdsma said. "It just made it tough for us."

The Bears were able to keep the Bearcats from gaining momentum all day long. The Bearcats converted only four of 14 third downs and went three downs and out six times.

"We didn't get as much momentum as we wanted," McMenamin said. "They played good football and kept us (the offense) out of the game a lot. We had to abandon the run pretty much the whole fourth quarter."

Hail to the Victor Editor reflects on season

After 13 weeks, the Northwest football season has come to an end. Nobody likes to see the season end the way it did, but 14 other teams that entered the playoffs are going to end their season the same way.

Despite the University of Northern Colorado's dominance (and I mean dominance) of Northwest, the Bearcats provided fans with an exciting season.

Some people may think all the close games the Bearcats were involved in this season and the loss to UNC made this season just like any other, excluding the 1998 and 1999 seasons of course when Northwest won the national championship.

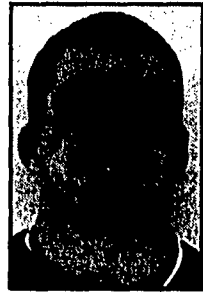
But what the Bearcats did for most fans including myself was take us for an exciting ride.

The 2002 season had everything that football fans want to see: down-to-the-wire games, comebacks, controversy and a blowout here and there.

All of this provided us with a season that ranks right up with the national championship years. Sure, there is no national title this season, but this team had the hearts of champions.

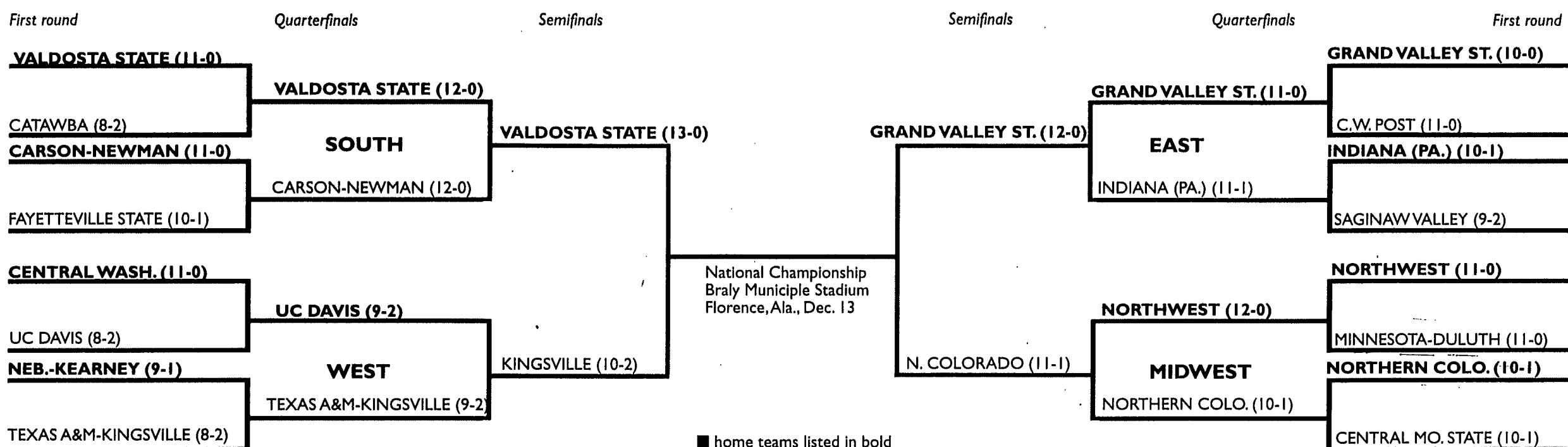
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NORTHWEST 12 UNC 23

GAME STATS

SCORE BY QUARTER

Bearcats 6 0 0 6
Bears 7 3 7 6

First quarter

UNC - Pyatt 27 pass from Passard (Swim kick) 11:18
NW - Burke 5 pass from McMenamin (Ibarra kick failed) 3:21

Second quarter

UNC - Swim 20 FG, 2:14

Third quarter

UNC - Pyatt 40 pass from Passard (Swim kick) 10:28

Fourth quarter

UNC - Mathews 5 run (Swim kick) :28
NW - Stewart 10 pass from McMenamin, 0:00

Total elapsed time - 2:40
Attendance - 5,500

TEAM STATISTICS

NW		UNC
9	First downs	19
21	Rush attempts	39
- 8	Net yards rushing	89
131	Net yards passing	268
31	Pass attempts	31
18	Pass completions	20
357	Total yards	123
51	Total return yards	127
7-38.3	Punts-avg.	7-28.1
5-1	Fumbles-lost	2-0
5-24	Penalties-yards	5-45
3-23	Sacks by-yards	3-36
32:25	Time of possession	29:37

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing- NW, Roberts 5-12, A. Rector 1-12, Herring 4-11, Scaggs 5-11, J. Rector 1-1, McMenamin 5- (minus) 55; UNC, Mathews 22-66, Thompson 11-34, Scott 2-1, Passard 4- (minus) 12.

Passing- NW, McMenamin 18-31-1 131; UNC, Passard 20-31-1 268.

Receiving- NW, J. Rector 5-40, Stewart 3-33, Burke 3-24, Roberts 3-23, Herring 3-6, Scaggs 1-5; UNC, Pyatt 7-126, J. Jackson 7-63, White 2-44, V. Jackson 1-19, Thompson 1-11, Nelson 1-7, Mathews 1- (minus) 2.

AFC Division II Top 25

School	Last week
1. Grand Valley State (12-0)	1
2. Valdosta State (13-0)	2
3. Carson-Newman (12-1)	3
4. Northwest (12-1)	4
5. Central Washington (11-1)	5
6. Indiana (Pa.) (11-2)	6
7. Northern Colorado (12-1)	7
8. Central Mo. State (10-2)	8
9. Tuskegee (9-1)	9
10. C.W. Post (11-1)	10
11. Minnesota-Duluth (11-1)	11
12. Neb.-Kearney (10-2)	12
13. UC Davis (9-3)	13
14. Saginaw Valley State (9-3)	14
15. Fayetteville State (N.C.) (10-2)	15
16. Catawba (8-3)	16
17. Tarleton State (8-2)	17
18. Texas A&M Kingsville (10-2)	18
19. St. Cloud State (9-2)	19
20. Chadron State (8-2)	20
21. Pittsburg State (8-3)	21
22. Bentley (Mass.) (10-1)	22
23. Bloomsburg (Pa.) (8-2)	23
24. East Stroudsburg (8-2)	24
25. Findlay (Ohio) (9-2)	25

Round by Round playoff scores

First round (Nov. 23)

Midwest
Northwest 45, Minnesota-Duluth 41

Northern Colorado 49, CMSU 28

East
Grand Valley State 62, C.W. Post 13

Indiana (Pa.) 27, Saginaw Valley 13

South
Valdosta State 24, Catawba 7

Carson Newman 40, Fayetteville State 27

West
Texas A&M-Kingsville 58, Neb.-Kearney 40

UC Davis 24, Central Washington 6

Quarterfinals (Nov. 30)

Midwest
Northern Colorado 23, Northwest 12

East
Grand Valley State 62, Indiana (Pa.) 21

South
Valdosta State 31, Carson-Newman 28/OT

West
Texas A&M-Kingsville 27, UC Davis 20/OT

Semifinals (Saturday)

Northern Colorado (12-1) at Grand Valley State (12-0), noon

Texas A&M-Kingsville (10-2) at Valdosta State (13-0), noon

National Championship (Dec. 14)

UNC/Grand Valley State winner vs. Texas A&M-Kingsville/Valdosta State winner, 4 p.m.

Northwest's head coach tops conference peers

Tjeerdsma credits entire coaching staff for his conference Coach of the Year Award

By COLE YOUNG

MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Few coaches in the MIAA can say they have earned the Coach of the Year award from their peers. Only Northwest head coach Mel Tjeerdsma can say he has won it seven times.

Tjeerdsma has compiled a record of 88-26 in his nine years at the helm of the Bearcats. Tjeerdsma however, will be the first person to try and place credit for the honor elsewhere.

"I would be lying if I didn't say that the honor didn't mean something to me," Tjeerdsma said. "It's not so much a coach of the year to me as it is a staff of the year. It would be real easy for coaches to stop voting for you and your staff after a couple years because of jealousy or something like that, but I think the award speaks for the kind of respect we get around the league."

Tjeerdsma's full-time staff consists of four men. Defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick, offensive coordinator Jim Svoboda, offensive line coach Bart Tatum, and strength

and conditioning/defensive line coach Jon Gustafson have all been on board since Tjeerdsma began his tenure at Northwest.

"I'm very strong in my faith,"

Tjeerdsma said. "I believe God has put me here for a reason and until I believe he wants me somewhere else, I'm here. The same goes for my staff, they aren't really out looking for other jobs or anything like that. I think that helps our focus a lot when the players see the coaches are focused on the team and not on themselves."

The dedication shown by coaches also tends to be shown in return by players.

"Coach Tjeerdsma and the rest of the staff help to instill a lot of faith into the players," senior kicker Eddie Ibarra said. "They help us believe we can do what we need to do

to get things done. With all the confidence they show in us, we really don't want to let them down when we go out there."

In college sports, there are athletes who have

no chance to go out and prove what they are made of during their first year at a university. The general rule at Northwest is that most incoming freshman football players are red-shirted.

"At this point in the year, we go out and we start making some

visits to high schools and looking for players who fit our needs," Tjeerdsma said. "We don't really try to find players who are going to make an impact right now, because we are deep enough that they aren't

Tjeerdsma's dominance

Here is a look at where Northwest's Mel Tjeerdsma has taken the 'Cats in the years he has won MIAA Coach of the Year honors.

Year	Rec.	How the season ended
1995	6-5	Finished the season 6-5
1996	11-2	Lost to UNC in quarterfinals
1997	12-1	Lost to UNC in quarterfinals
1998	15-0	Won national championship
1999	14-1	Won national championship
2000	11-1	Lost to NDSU in first round
2002	12-1	Lost to UNC in quarterfinals



PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma gathers his team at midfield after the team's 23-12 defeat to Northern Colorado. "The thing I'll always remember about this group is they always felt they could get the job done," Tjeerdsma said after the loss Saturday.

going to be called on for a few years."

For those players, there needs to be a reason for them to practice and make an effort even when chances of them seeing the playing field are void.

Red-shirt freshman Tyler Martin sees Tjeerdsma and his staff as a reason to strap on the pads each afternoon.

"Coach Tjeerdsma and his staff red-shirts feel like they are making an impact and keeping us all upbeat," Martin said. "One of the main reasons I came here is because when Coach Tjeerdsma came to visit me at high school, he made me feel like I was going to make an impact here."

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Playoff game notes

Injuries hamper 'Cats in loss

By CLARK GRELL

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Northwest had been lucky keeping most of its team healthy throughout the season. However, as playoffs rolled around, injuries turned into a concern for the 'Cats.

Junior center Geoff Bollinger broke a bone in his left hand against the University of Minnesota-Duluth in the first round of the playoffs.

Bollinger's hand was taped up and he returned two plays after the injury occurred.

His hand was heavily taped for the University of Northern Colorado game.

Fans might have noticed Marcel Smith seeing limited action in Saturday's loss. The senior cornerback suffered an Achilles injury earlier in the week. Smith started the game, but was taken out early and replaced by junior defensive back Gabriel Helms and sophomore cornerback Tony Glover.

Redshirt freshman linebacker Heath Finch suffered an MCL injury in the win over Duluth and did not play in Saturday's loss.

Another starter, junior fullback Sean Shafar, was bothered by a neck injury he suffered at the end of the regular season. He did not play in Saturday's loss.

A back and forth series: For the fifth time in seven years, Northwest and UNC faced off in the quarterfinals of the Division II playoffs.

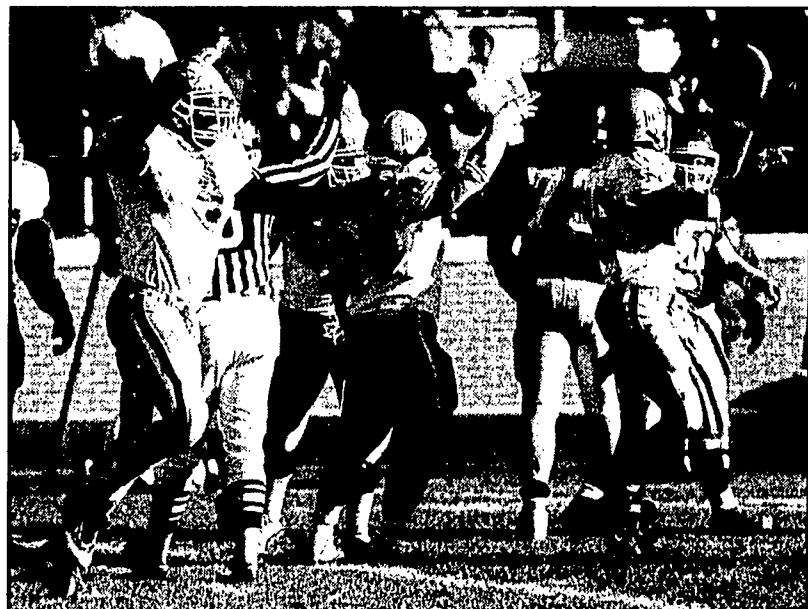


PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT EDITOR
UNC defensive end Anthony Dunn (4) and teammates celebrate the Bear's fourth down stance near the goal line against the Bearcats early in the fourth quarter Saturday. Northwest had the opportunity to climb back into the game, but a screen pass to senior Jeromy Scaggs came up one yard short.

Northwest is 2-3 against the Bears in those five meetings. Northwest lost to the Bears 27-26 in 1996 and 35-19 in 1997. In 1998, the Bearcats defeated the Bears 42-17 en route to a national championship that year. In 1999, the Bears fell victim to Northwest 41-35 at Rickenbrode Stadium. Kicking woes strike again: Northwest's special teams had an up and down day

Saturday against the Bears.

While the Bearcats were able to return many strong kickoff returns, the kicking game struggled.

Senior kicker Eddie Ibarra missed a 40-yard field goal early in the third quarter. Earlier in the game, the Bearcats missed an extra point after senior right end Chris Burke's five-yard touchdown catch.

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Team provides Bearcat fans with season to remember

12-1. There are a lot of teams that would love to end a season with that record such as the University of Missouri Rolla or Missouri Western State College.

Some fans might wonder what happened to the Bearcats of old when they were blowing out everybody.

Where is the excitement in that?

I know head coach Mel Tjeerdsma wants to blowout everybody, but that is not going to happen.

Two games are going to stand out in my mind from this past season, those being the 31-24 win at Truman State University and the 45-41 thriller over the University of Minnesota-Duluth.

At Truman, one could tell that this Bearcat squad was not the same team that went 7-4 the season before.

In that game, the Bearcats saw a 21-3 vanish quickly in the third

quarter. After Truman's Dusty Burk scored the go-ahead touchdown for the Bulldogs, there was no whining on the Northwest sidelines nor was there much frustration.

Instead, I saw a team come together. They were confident they were going to halt one of the best offenses in the nation and win the game.

Sure enough, they did.

Then nearly two weeks ago, the Bearcats took on Duluth in the first round of the playoffs. The defense struggled, but then again they were up against another one of the nation's best offenses. The Northwest offense answered with their best offensive performance of the year.

Senior quarterback John McMenamin said after the game that the offense wanted to be the heroes in that game and they were.

Every game called for a hero though.

Whether it was freshman running back Mitch Herring against Pittsburg State University at Arrowhead Stadium or junior linebacker John Edmonds against Western, someone stepped up.

This may not be one of the most talented teams put together, but they wanted to win. This team treated every game the same and that is the reason they were successful this year.

Come next season, the Bearcats will have many holes to fill with the loss of many talented seniors.

However, they learned a lot this season, enough to carry into next season to contend for another conference title and another run for the national championship.

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Final season team statistics

	NW	Opp.		TD	FG	PAT	2PT	Pts
First downs	283	213	Eddie Ibarra	0	14-26	42-47	0	84
Rushing first downs	92	85	J. Rector	9	0-0	0-0	0	54
Passing first downs	166	105	Stewart	7	0-0	0-0	1	44
Penalty first downs	25	23	Herring	7	0-0	0-0	0	42
Rushing yardage	1,251	1,283	Scaggs	5	0-0	0-0	1	32
Rushing attempts	418	463	Roberts	5	0-0	0-0	0	30
Avg. per rush	3.0	2.8	J. Otte	4	0-0	0-0	0	24
Avg. per game	96.2	98.7	A. Rector	3	0-0	0-0	0	18
Rushing TDs	20	8	McMenamin	3	0-0	0-0	0	18
Passing yards	3,696	2,475	Shafar	2	0-0	0-0	0	12
Attempts	504	430	Buile	1	0-0	0-0	0	6
Completions	302	205	Helms	1	0-0	0-0	0	6
INT	14	20	Froehlich	1	0-0	0-0	0	6
Avg. per pass	7.3	5.8	Glansapp	1	0-0	0-0	0	6
Avg. per catch	12.2	12.1	A. Otte	1	0-0	0-0	0	6
Avg. per game	284.3	190.4	Burke	1	0-0	0-0	0	6
Passing TDs	28	13	Team	0	0-0	0-0	1	2
Total Offense	4,947	3,758						
Total plays	922	893						
Avg. per play	5.4	4.2						
Avg. per game	380.5	289.1						
Kick return yards	35-826	49-982						
Punt return yards	48-618	16-86						
Fumbles-lost	20-10	25-9						
Punts-Avg.	60-38.7	91-36.2						
Time of possession	31:31	29:21						
third down conv.	77/185	68/204						
fourth down conv.	5/13	8/22						
Score by quarters	1st 2nd 3rd 4th Total							
Northwest	119 121 78	78 396						
Opponents	41 31 66 52	190						

Individual statistics

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					A. Rector	0	3	0.0	0	0
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Northwest men's basketball

Bearcats rebound with home victory

By MARK EUSTON
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

After the first 10 minutes of Wednesday's game against the NAIA Peru State Bobcats, it looked as if the 'Cats were going to get a run for their money. However from that point on, the 'Cats went on a 20-2 run, putting the game almost out of reach for Peru State. Peru State made several attempts to make a comeback in the second half, however all fell short.

Northwest was again led by guard Scott Fleming who put up 17 in the game; Fleming was followed closely by guard Kelvin Parker who scored 16.

Michael Woods led the scoring for Peru State, with 28 on the night. Head coach Steve Tappmeyer said he feels that a player like Woods will pose a threat to the 'Cats in the future.

"We are not very deep down low," Tappmeyer said. "Joel Yeldell is about the only one that can physically stand up to a guy that size. Physically it is a limitation for our team, and right now execution-wise it is the really scary part, somebody has got to be in the block that can stop a guy like that from scoring."

The Bearcats were 12 of 14 from the free-throw line, a statistic that Tappmeyer said he felt was key in the victory.

"We are a good free-throw shooting team," Tappmeyer said. "We have Parker, Yeldell and Fleming and those guys are all good free throw shooters. When you look at a 17-point win, they missed nine free-throws and we only missed two, had that been reversed, it would have been a completely different game."

Parker said he feels there are some

things the Bearcats need to work on before their next game.

"We need to have better focus and better triple threat position, and we need to correct all of the turnovers," Parker said.

Over the weekend the 'Cats traveled to Duluth, Minn. to compete in the Duluth Tournament. They came home with a record of 1-1, losing their first game of the season to Duluth, 97-67.

"We played a great team and got blown out," Tappmeyer said. "Hopefully we can take that experience and see what we have to do to become a great basketball team."

Tappmeyer said the team must improve in several areas before they can reach the level they want to achieve.

"We have to make big jumps in a lot of areas," Tappmeyer said. "We don't execute our system well and for us to win we can't afford to do that. We can't afford to have turnovers, mental errors and to take bad shots like we have been doing."

The team won their second game of the season by two points or less over Concordia-St. Paul, defeating them 78-76.

"Winning two close games gives us a lot of confidence that we can go into a tight ballgame and come out with a victory," Tappmeyer said. "However the Concordia game shouldn't have been as close as it was."

Parker led the game for the 'Cats, he scored 27 points in the contest. Fleming also chipped in 20 en route to the victory.

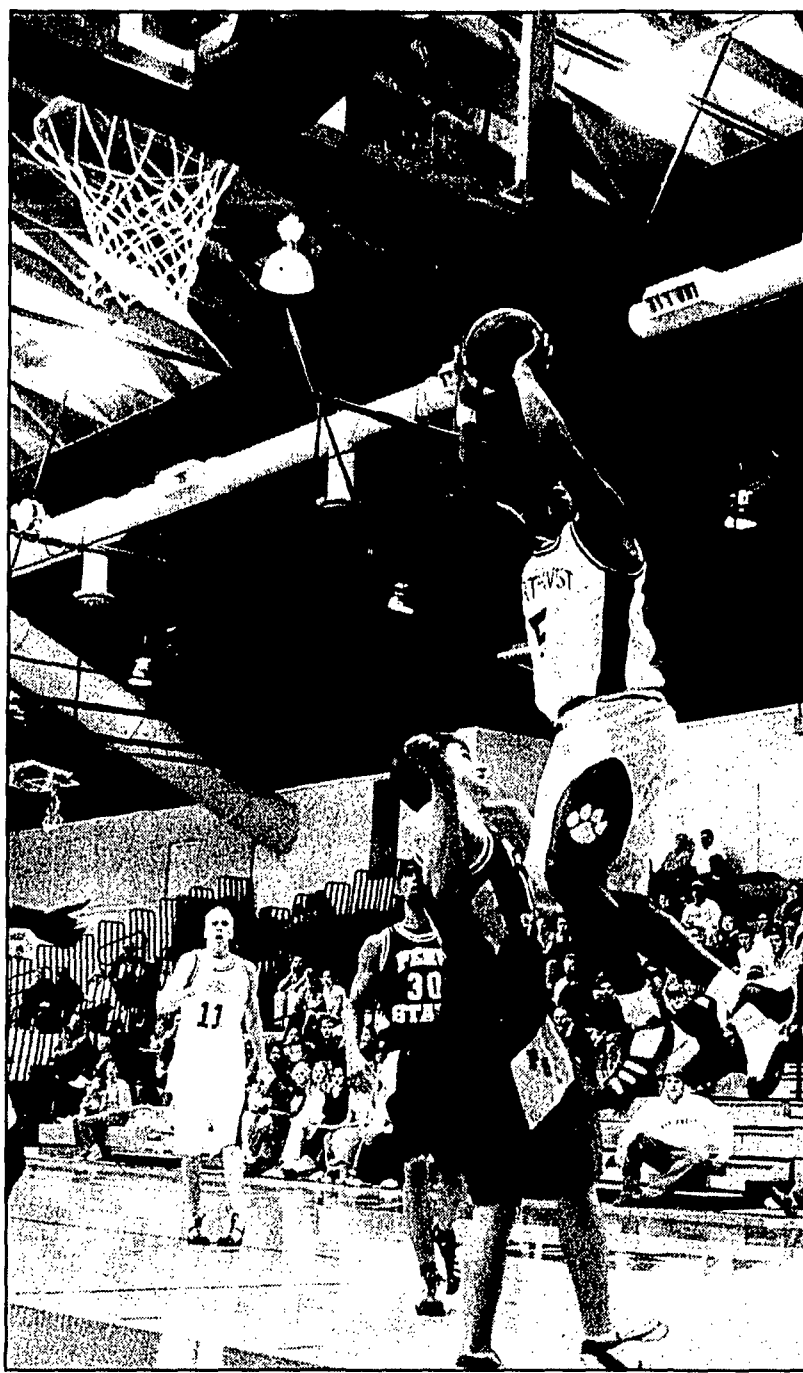


PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT EDITOR
Junior guard Kelvin Parker lays a shot over a Peru State defender in the first half of the 'Cats' 79-62 win over the Bobcats Wednesday night at Bearcat Arena. Parker was fouled on the play and made the free throw.

Northwest women's basketball

'Cats fall to UNO, down Benedictine

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
CHIEF REPORTER

After beating Benedictine College 82-60 Sunday, the women's basketball team traveled north for a Wednesday night game against the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

However, the 'Cats could not pull out a win against the Mavericks as they fell 76-67.

Going into the second half, the 'Cats trailed by three but the team failed to get closer as they were outscored by six in the second half.

Freshman Laura Friederich led all scorers with 22 points, as she went 9-24 from the field. Junior Tanesha Fields scored 11 points and junior Erica Hatterman added eight points to pace the team.

As a whole, the 'Cats forced 35 turnovers but were outrebounded by 26. The 'Cats also shot just 35 percent from the field and 31 percent from three-point range.

Sunday's game against the Ravens was a different story, however.

The 'Cats shot 41 percent from the field in Sunday's game and 33 percent from three-point range.

Hatterman led the team in their three-point shooting attack by going 4-5 from beyond the arc. Hatterman had 22 points in the first half and the team had a 45-32 halftime lead. Hatterman finished the game with 24 points.

Hatterman said she was feeling good in the first half and she said the defense was playing well.

"I felt good," Hatterman said. "My shot was on and the team was getting me the ball. I think mostly it was our defense turning it around. We let them

early on get a lot of points and our defense turned it around."

The Ravens got back in the game in the second half when they went on a 14-6 run to shorten the lead to 51-46.

Head coach Gene Steinmeyer said the team needed to make some adjustments.

"We had to defend the perimeter and the way we had to do that is start switching screens," Steinmeyer said. "We really accomplished that with (Sarah) Brown, who was 3-4 from threes at half, and she only attempted three threes in the second half. The second thing was finishing on offense and we were finishing."

The 'Cats put the Ravens away with a 12-0 run midway through the second half and sealed the deal with a 15-9 run as sophomore Emily Elkin made a shot with 29 seconds left. The 'Cats forced 27 turnovers and they pulled down 46 rebounds compared to the Ravens' 47 rebounds.

Junior Jenna Wolfe scored 12 points and Fields and Chalmers along with Friederich scored 10 points apiece.

Steinmeyer said the team has made improvements since last weekend's Ryland Milner Classic.

"We made a definite step today (Sunday)," Steinmeyer said. "We finished the game, which we didn't do at the Ryland Milner. We had an 18-point lead (against Southwestern College) and only won by six and tonight we had a 13-point lead and we finished it."

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Volleyball, soccer programs search for new coaches to fill positions

Sarah Pelster steps out as head coach for Bearcat spikers after 12 seasons at helm

By CLARK GRELL
SPORTS EDITOR

For the first time in 13 years, the Northwest volleyball head coach position is vacant.

Northwest Director of Athletics Bob Boerigter announced Nov. 22 that the contract of head volleyball coach Sarah Pelster will not be renewed.

"We have a process we go through every year with each program in terms of evaluating the progress we have made and goals we have for our program," Boerigter said. "Following that process, then the decision was made not to invite our current coach back."

Boerigter said the decision was difficult to make.

"These are not decisions you make easily and lightly," Boerigter said. "There is an awful lot of thought and time that go into it."

The announcement follows two con-

secutive losing seasons for the Northwest volleyball program.

Northwest finished this past season at 8-23, and eighth out of nine teams in the conference with a 3-13 mark.

In 2001, the team finished with an overall record of 7-23.

Pelster's overall record at Northwest was 199-226. She had been involved with the Northwest program since 1991.

"Decisions are always very difficult," Boerigter said. "Especially with good people who care about the University and care about the kids they work with, which is the case."

Pelster guided the Bearcats to seven consecutive winning seasons from 1994 to 2000. Her best season came in 1999, when she guided the Bearcats to 25 wins and only 11 losses.

At Northwest, all coaches are signed to yearly contracts and not long-term deals.

"All of us are on year by year contracts," Boerigter said. "Each year, there are things in place. We've kind of laid some of those things out, what our expectations were and where we wish to go. (We) felt it was time to go in a different direction."

The search for a new volleyball coach began immediately after the announcement was made.

Northwest has received applications from people expressing interest in the job and has made contact with interested coaches.

"We generate applications by word of mouth," Boerigter said. "Then we try to use contacts in the professional world and through that I've been able to generate some names."

Boerigter said he hopes to have a new coach before the beginning of the spring term but knows that it could be a difficult process to get a coach in the pro-

The Pelster file

■ She coached the Bearcats for 12 seasons, guiding them to a 199-226 record.

■ She guided the Bearcats to five seasons with 20 wins or more.



Sarah Pelster

gram within a month.

"It's not an exact science," he said. "It takes a lot of time to do it right. If we don't have the right person then we'll take a little bit longer if we have to."

The Bearcat volleyball team has 14 players eligible to return next season after losing four seniors.

Boerigter said as of now, none of the players have given him any indication that they will not return next season.

Boerigter receives 70 applications for soccer vacancy

By CASEY HALL
MISSOURI REPORTER

After another tough season for the women's soccer team, the athletic department at Northwest decided not to renew head-coach Joann Wolf's contract.

"We sat down face to face and decided that it was time for us to go in different directions," Director of Athletics Bob Boerigter said.

The women's soccer team finished with a 3-15 record and a 2-10 conference record. In Wolf's four seasons at Northwest she finishes with a 22-44 record.

It is not certain how Wolf's exit will effect Northwest's recruiting.

"Anytime there is a coaching change, it hurts recruiting," Boerigter said. "But it is good that most soccer played in area states is in the spring."

Boerigter said he has not been informed of any players not returning

The Wolf file

■ She was the first coach ever for the Northwest program.

■ Her record at Northwest was 22-44.



Joann Wolf

to the team next year.

Boerigter said he has received 70 applications to fill the position, with some from other countries.

Boerigter said he is hoping to have a new coach hired at the beginning of the spring trimester.

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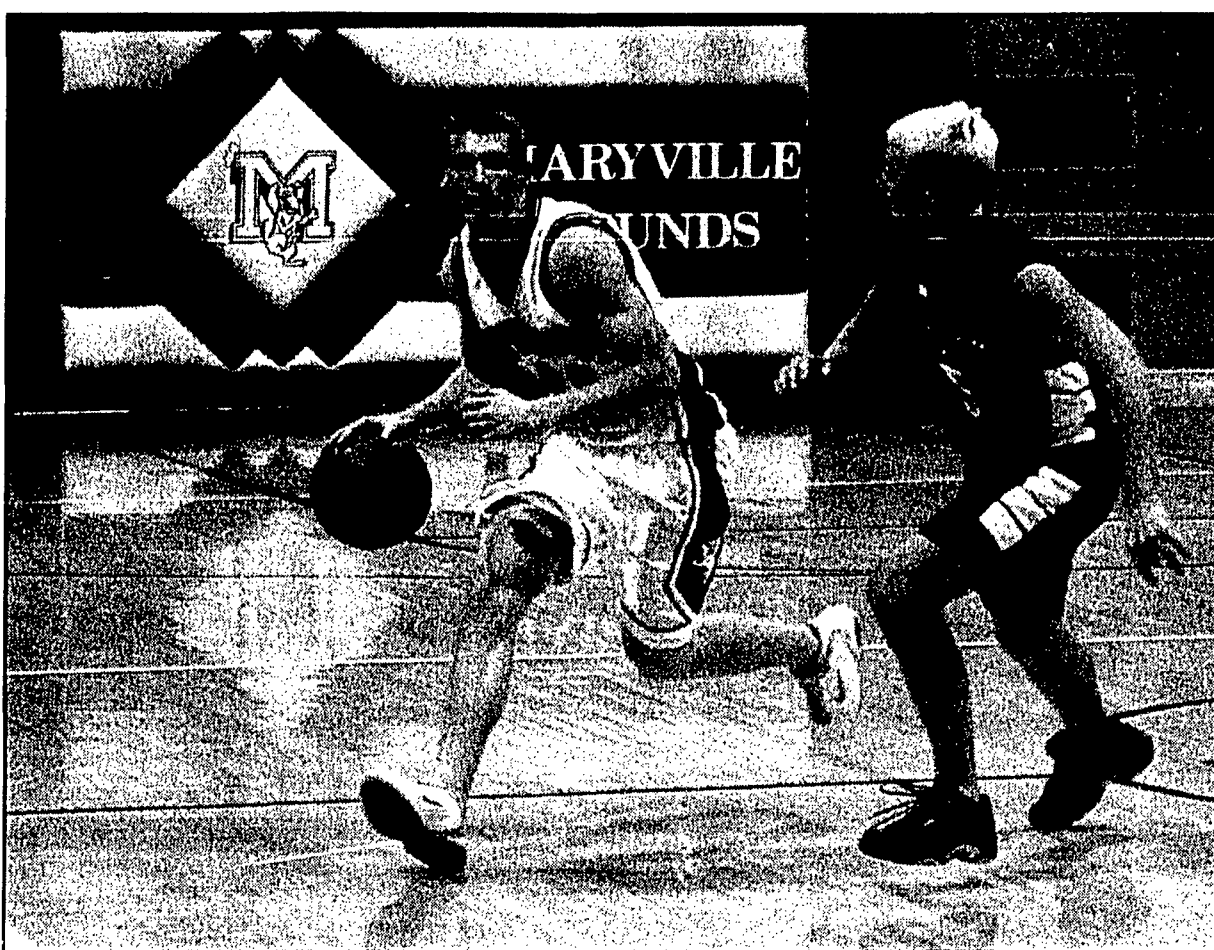


PHOTO BY JOE KNUST/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER

Maryville's David Akins looks for a teammate to dish the ball to during the 'Hounds' 47-38 win over Mount Ayr Tuesday night in Maryville. Akins led all scorers with 20 points, 16 of those coming in the first half.

Maryville boys' basketball

Senior guard racks up points, highlights win for 'Hounds

By RYAN DELEHANT
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The 'Hounds started off the season with a 47-38 victory over the Red Raiders of Mount Ayr, Iowa Tuesday night in Maryville.

The team led at halftime, 37-17, with senior guard David Akins scoring 16 of his game high 20 points in the first half.

Akins also grabbed four rebounds and stole the ball three times in the ball game.

"We didn't know what to expect coming into the game tonight," Akins said. "We just came into the game ready for anything."

Despite Mount Ayr's size advantage, the 'Hounds held a significant first half rebounding advantage over the Red Raiders, 15-9. Sophomore Myles Burnside led the team in rebounding with nine followed by junior Tyler McClellan with five.

In the second half, Mount Ayr

stepped up the defense by holding the 'Hounds to 10 points and Akins scoreless for the entire third quarter.

"We played well in the first half but struggled to put up points in the second," head coach Mike Kuwitsky said. "Mount Ayr really put the heat on us in the second half."

Junior Drew Yoder came off the bench to lead the Red Raiders in scoring with 15 points while senior center Lydon Hawkins led Mount Ayr in rebounds with eight.

"I thought we did a good job for our first game out," Kuwitsky said. "I saw some good signs from our team and I am glad to come out with a win."

Mount Ayr outscored Maryville 21-10 in the second half to close within nine points.

The 'Hounds were able to hold on for the win shooting 6-11 from the free throw line compared to Mount Ayr's 7-18.

Maryville 47, Mount Ayr 38

Leading scorer:
David Akins, 20 points

Leading rebounder:
Myles Burnside, nine

"We had to fight through that second half to come up with the win," Akins said. "We still have a lot to improve on, but overall, we did a good job tonight."

The 'Hounds' next game will be at 7 p.m. Monday at South Harrison.

The 'Hounds girls' basketball team will also play at South Harrison Monday. That game is at 5:30 p.m.

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Maryville girls' basketball

Senior looks to lead young team

By CASEY HALL
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Maryville girls' basketball team is starting the season off with a young team and hoping to gain experience, but there is one girl that has been a mainstay for the last four years: Caulcen Bradley.

Bradley, a 5-foot-11 senior, has been a three-year letter winner and a four-year starter for the team.

Bradley said she expects a lot from the team this year.

"I think we can be a team to be reckoned with," Bradley said. "We are in a new district and I think with the competition we play in conference that will give us a good advantage going into districts."

Having only five seniors on the

team and Bradley as the only senior to letter more than once, makes this team look young on paper.

"We just need to keep a positive attitude, and keep everyone upbeat," Bradley said.

Bradley, an All-Conference Honorable Mention selection last year said she would like to be a good leader and help everyone to the best of her ability. As a team, the main goal she would like to accomplish is a trip to the state tournament.

"I think that we will be good enough by the end of the season, with all the competition we have played, that we can make it to state," Bradley said.

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'Hounds win season opener

The 'Hounds started their season off with a bang, beating Mount Ayr, Iowa Tuesday, 64-49.

Junior Abby Walker led the way for the 'Hounds with 17 points, four steals and two assists.

"Abby played really well last night (Tuesday)," head coach Randall Cook said. "She handled the ball really well and stepped up to have a great game."

Hilary Reynolds and Ann Hagen contributed with 13 and seven points, respectively. Hagen also had nine rebounds and five blocks while Reynolds added five steals.

Maryville wrestling

Grappler ready for final season

Merrill wants to improve on his fourth-place finish at state just one year ago

By JASON MEHRHOFF
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The young 'Hounds wrestling team has many things in their favor: a full room, good coaching and senior Derek Merrill.

Merrill, a three-time state qualifier and fourth-place finisher at 125 pounds last year, will be looked at to lead the 'Hounds in his final campaign.

"We expect him to step up by example as well as verbally," head coach Joe Drake said. "He has already shown what it takes to succeed."

Merrill has shown what it takes to succeed with a 27-7 record last year. He has also shown what it takes to succeed inside the classroom. Merrill was named to the Missouri high school Academic All-State team, an honor given to those wrestlers who place in the state wrestling tournament and have a 3.5 grade point average or above.

Even with this success, Merrill is not satisfied and wants to accomplish more. He has goals set for his last run at the state title. "He has been spending a lot more time in the weight room and has competed on the football and baseball teams to keep his competitive edge."

"I want to win (state) this year," Merrill said. "I want to try to win all the tournaments I can and be a leader

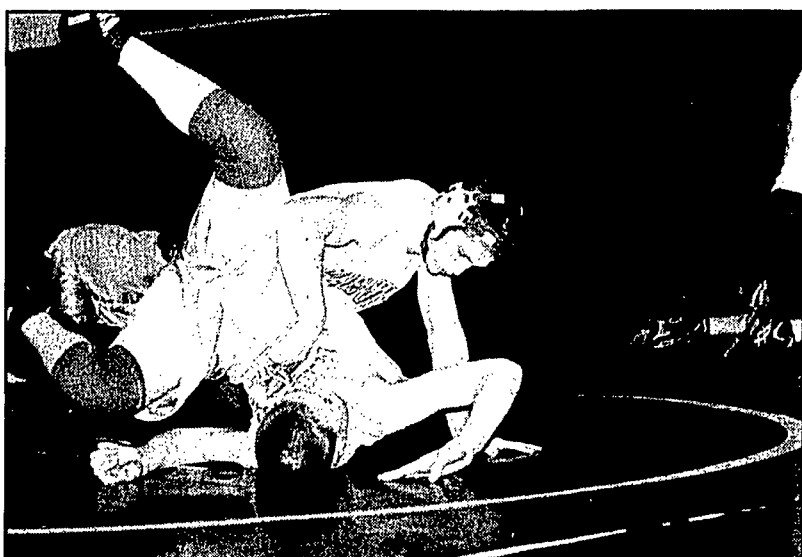


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Derek Merrill works with Nick Loghry during Tuesday's practice. Merrill was a state qualifier at 125 pounds, but has now moved up to the 130 pound weight class.

for my team."

Drake says Merrill's wrestling style and technique is typical of the way he teaches the team.

"He is very aggressive on his feet and is a good pinner," Drake said. "If you can score on your feet, you are going to win."

Visiting the Maryville wrestling room, it is easy to see why the 'Hounds have had success in the past with more than 35 different takedowns taught every year by Drake. However, to be successful, all one has to master is one type of takedown, Drake said.

Looking to the start of this year, Merrill said he understands he will

have to lead the young team with the help of his fellow seniors if the 'Hounds are to be successful this year.

"Our real young wrestlers have to step up again," Merrill said. "We have really strong wrestlers that we need to spread throughout the lineup to compete in conference and state."

Merrill will start the season one weight class higher than last year at 130 pounds.

Even with all of his success, the 'Hounds' senior attributes much of that success to his teammates.

"You can't be successful without good teammates," Merrill said. "If we didn't push each other, we wouldn't be as good. It all starts here-working hard."

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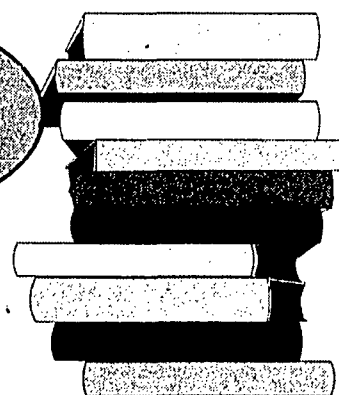
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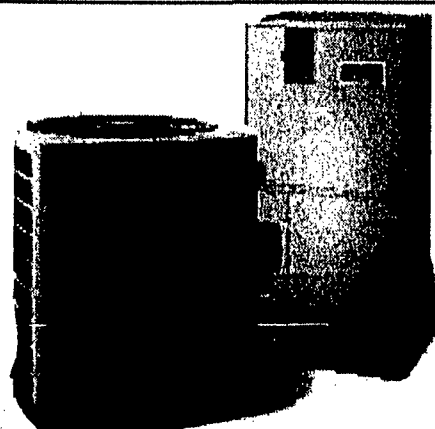
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Junior sprinter Gabriel Helms completes hurdle exercises during Tuesday's practice in Bearcat Arena. Though Helms is a sprinter, the hurdle exercises help the healing process of a nagging injury he suffered late during football season.

Northwest indoor track and field preview

Teams ready for start of young season

Men, women begin season at Iowa State Cyclone Holiday Classic Dec. 13

By JASON PRICE
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

While most of the student body looks forward to the winter break, the men's and women's indoor track team are anxiously awaiting the first crack of the gun to get things started.

The women's team is led by five returning seniors this season: Kadie Cambell, Jill Fisher, Leslie Lober, Jenny Simmons and Sarah Wolf.

Both Fisher and Simmons qualified for nationals last season.

Newcomers to the women's squad are Carman Cox, Ashley Wally, Tiffany Zarling and Dia McKee. Coach Vicki Wooten said she has high expectations for the incoming freshmen and the team should do really well.

Even with the addition of young talent, the lady Bearcats will have a large void to fill with the loss of April House.

Last season the women finished fifth in the conference and hope to pull within the top four this year.

Wooten said the Bearcats have one of the hardest conferences in

the nation.

Right now Wooten's main goal is to get the women ready for competition and finish the season with as many as possible qualified for the national competition in Boston.

The men's team will also be returning a talented group of athletes, head coach Richard Alsup said.

The captains of the team as selected by their peers are Joel Taylor, Kyle Keraus, Paul Miser, Pat Jordan and Dan Mekim. Alsup said that Gabriel Helms, a new addition to the men's team and a future leader, could be one to watch in the next two seasons.

The immediate goals for Alsup are to get through the preseason without injuries and to have his athletes in good condition. For the

most part the team has stuck to those goals with only a few minor injuries along the way.

Alsup said others to watch as the season continues are Conrad Woolsey, Clint Prang, Ryan Miller, Travis Mason, Jamaica Rector, John Heil, Chad Weler and Jamison Phillips.

The Bearcat men return two of the three athletes that placed at the Division II national championships in Boston last March.

Return: Jamaica Rector placed third in the triple jump. Conrad Woolsey placed first in the shot put.

Lose: Tucker Woolsey placed fourth in the shot put.

Halett Invitational in Crete, Neb.

The MIAA conference championships are in Warrensburg this season on March 14.

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About the Bearcats

Men's head coach: Rich Alsup (22nd season)
2001-02 MIAA finish: 2nd

Women's head coach: Vicki Wooten (sixth season)
2001-02 MIAA finish: 5th

2002-03 Indoor Schedule

Dec. 13 At Iowa State Cyclone Holiday Classic
Jan. 18 At Doane (Neb.) Invite
Jan. 24 At Iowa State Open
Feb. 8 At Doane (Neb.) Tiger Classic
Feb. 14 At Neb. Prairie Wolf Invite
Feb. 22 At CMSU Classic
Feb. 28 MIAA Indoor Championships at CMSU
Mar. 14 NCAA Div. II Championships at Boston

Fan Plan

Home games

	TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Northwest men's basketball	Calvary Bible 7 p.m.		York College 7:30 p.m.				
Northwest women's basketball			York College 7:30 p.m.				
Northwest Indoor track & field							
Maryville boys' basketball					South Harrison 7 p.m.		
Maryville girls' basketball	Lafayette 7 p.m.				South Harrison 5:30 p.m.		
Maryville wrestling						St. Pius X 6:30 p.m.	

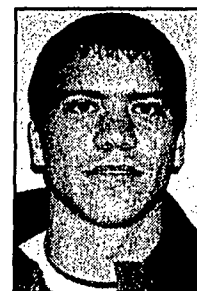
ARMCHAIR QUARTERBACKS

Do you think the Bearcat football season was a success or somewhat of a disappointment?



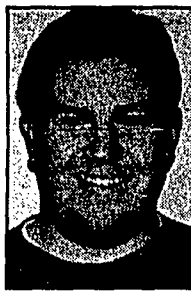
"It was both a success and a disappointment. They had a great year, but at Northwest, anything less than a national championship is disappointing. It's always disappointing to see them lose."

Ben McMillen
POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR



"Anytime you have an undefeated regular season, it is a success, even if we did not win a national championship. Just to say we were so close is great."

Colt Glidden
UNDECIDED



"This season was a success. Each season shows a lot of improvement, so next year will still be even better than this season."

Nick Watson
IDM MAJOR



"It was a success. They went through the regular season undefeated and they won their first playoff game. That is a success and they are a strong football team every year. In no way should the season be considered a disappointment."

Kirk Harris
HISTORY MAJOR

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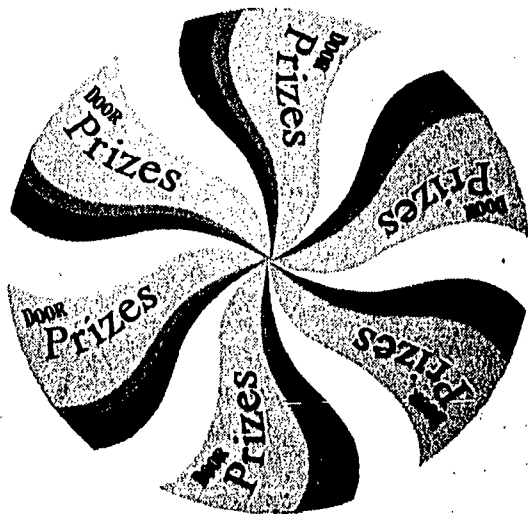
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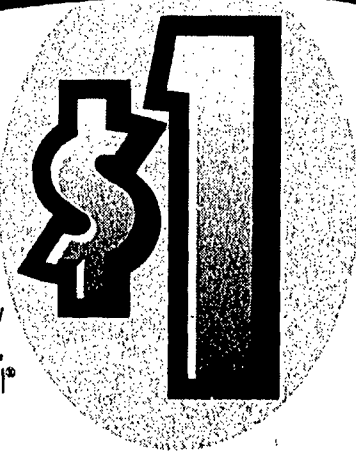
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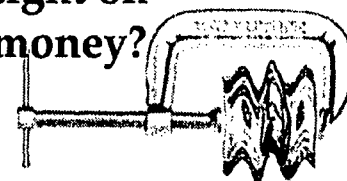


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Stroller challenges Senate

After a week of food-filled ecstasy, Your Man has decided to again turn your attention to student organizations. This week I'll look at the always-student-serving, never-looking-for-personal-gain, stellar group of political representatives we call Student Senate.

With a questionable record of actually representing students, the President Richard Nixon-like resignation of Sen. Dan Ayala and the cat fight that dragged on for weeks prior, one could easily doubt the validity of our student senators.

If one was to review the minutes of Senate meetings (<http://www.nwmissouri.edu/~senate/minutes.html>) you wouldn't find any hard-hitting social or political agendas. You wouldn't find a vast amount of cutting edge proposals that go to improve the lives of students on campus.

What you would find are important tasks like recognizing The Northwest Star Trek Society as an official organization or putting together a Senate barbecue or reviewing a multitude of events that are going on around campus and within the community.

For a majority of students, the effects of the Senate are rarely felt in their day-to-day lives. Campus Dining has not seen any significant improvements in more than three years. Course offerings that are innovative and creative are nonexistent, while the voice of students as a whole remains a whisper.



THE STROLLER

What happens when students voice their opinion and expect the members of Student Senate to represent them? They don't get represented, case in point, the vote to arm Campus Safety officers last semester. Campus sentiment was against the proposal, hundreds of students signed petitions and when it came time to cast their votes, senators weren't even there. After a recess, members were rounded up and the proposal passed. According to their mission statement, they're to 'advance the interest and general welfare of every student at the University.' Mission accomplished, eh?

My call to the elected members of Student Senate is to cut away the strings and prove to your constituents that you aren't just puppets to an administration. Talk to students, find out what they like, don't like, what they want to see and act on it. Push the envelope when it comes to pass-

ing ground breaking proposals. Don't be content with meeting every week, rattling through usual business, organizing events to add to your resumes and going to bed every night feeling like you represent this campus.

If senators scoff and believe my statements are unfounded, I again challenge you. Sit in on a Student Senate meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Union Boardroom and then sit in on a Bearcat Voice meeting at 9 p.m. Wednesday nights in the Lakeview Room on the third floor of the Union. The difference? Bearcat Voice is an open forum for students to speak their minds in which they actually see results. Cabinet members of Bearcat Voice are passionate about their tasks and the proposals they attempt to pass really impact students. Visiting Bearcat Voice was a needed breath of fresh air in comparison to the suffocating monotony of Student Senate.

Almost two weeks ago, the impeachment story of Ayala littered the front page of *The Missourian*. The next time I see a story about Student Senate, I hope it's a story about action, something the Senate is doing to actually effect the lives of thousands of students on campus. To our senators: we're waiting.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian. The Stroller can be contacted at stroller@missourianonline.com

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Girls & Sports

By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein



Buzz Review

Parliament produces Funked Up greatest hits

By JULIAN KUSSMAN

ONLINE MANAGING EDITOR

Funk is the only word you can use to describe this CD and believe me, the artists who had their input on these 16 tracks used it frequently.

During their almost 20-year span, George Clinton and Parliament covered the spectrum of stylistic funk and smooth R&B. They also continue to reach the ears of pop music listeners everywhere because of the heavy use of Parliament samples in hip-hop music.

As a fan of hip-hop and a new fan of Parliament, I can't help but hear many popular hip-hop songs in my head while listening to Funked Up. And, if you get a chance to listen to this album, it will

be evident to you as well.

The first thing I noticed were the many layers of sound that existed simultaneously in each song with one flowing into the next and many overlapping at once. This is no three-piece band with one guitar, one bass and a drum kit; Parliament is an orchestrated groove intended to move you.

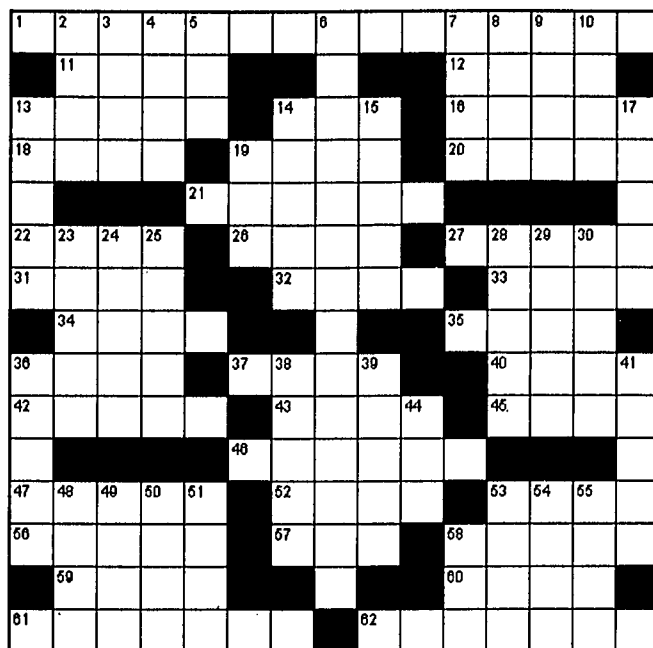
Major players in every song are the horns. They are either given in punctuating staccatos that keep you nodding your head to a steady rhythm or rounding out the melody and presenting themselves in such a way that makes them seem like another vocalist singing along.

Another common denominator in Funked Up are the chant-like vocals that are generally sung like an instrument would play them, one pitch per syllable. Most of the lyrics center around idealistic fantasies about chocolate cities or Drs. of funk and the like but a few float near tunes of love, lust, and brotherhood.

Overall, the same general groove is kept up during the whole album and this CD can easily be listened to from start to finish without skipping any tracks and without it becoming annoying.

Overall rating: B+

Weekly Crossword



Across
1. Pregnancy symptom (7,8)
11. Want
12. Babylonian goddess
13. Pocks
14. Expressions of greeting
16. Lengthening
18. Arrested
19. Darkness
20. Fix tightly
21. More smoky
22. Ali, earlier
26. Engagement
27. Eyeshade

31. Edible seaweed
32. Wacky
33. Mutts
34. Marshy
35. Chinese lute
36. Vast
37. Calculator
40. Meshes
42. Male name
43. Thin and tough
45. Matured
46. Walkways
47. Old Scottish coin
52. Poke
53. Ruler

56. Above
57. A male
58. Man-like automaton
59. Enlarge a hole
60. Water source
61. Daybooks
62. Backwash from a jet engine
Down
2. Erstwhile
3. Genuine
4. Geek
5. Badges

6. Of an unworldly nature
7. Was aware
8. Series of anti-aircraft missiles
9. Female name
10. Burbled
13. Daze
14. Relating to a person
15. Trapshooting
17. Cogs
19. Wet earth
23. Small large-eyed Madagascan mammal
24. Orientate
25. Belgian WWI battlefield
28. Cake cover
29. A-one
30. Speak
36. Old cars
38. Flooded
39. Skim off
41. Brand
44. Year of birth
48. Entice
49. Caricatured
50. Projecting rock
51. Ridge of material deposited by a glacier
53. Gang
54. French novelist
55. Feels pain
58. Measure of shipping tonnage

Answers can be found on this page

Area Events

Kansas City

Dec. 5 Magnolia Summer
Davey's Uptown

Dec. 5 Nadine
Davey's Uptown

Dec. 6 Steve Forbert
Masonic Temple

Dec. 6 David Zollo
Maintenance Shop

Dec. 5 Check Engine
The 49er

Dec. 6 Lennon
Ranch Bowl

Des Moines

Dec. 6 Bastard Sons of
Johnny Cash
Davey's Uptown

Dec. 11 Brave Combo
Grand Emporium

Dec. 6 Shiver
House of Bricks

Dec. 7 Faceage
Hairy Mary's

Dec. 9 Psuedopod
Music Box

Dec. 9 The Big Wu
Music Box

Omaha

Finals Schedule

Monday, Dec. 9
3 or 3:30 p.m. Monday 7:30-9:30 a.m.
PE 110 (Lifetime Wellness) 9:40-11:40 a.m.
11 a.m. Monday 11:50 a.m.-1:50 p.m.
Political Science 102 2-4 p.m.
9 a.m. Monday 4:10-6:10 p.m.
2 p.m. Tuesday 7-9 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 10
Computer Science 130 7:30-9:30 a.m.
9 or 9:35 a.m. Tuesday 9:40-11:40 a.m.
11 a.m. Tuesday 11:50 a.m.-1:50 p.m.
2 p.m. Monday 2-4 p.m.
8 a.m. Tuesday 4:10-6:10 p.m.
History 155 7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 11
10 a.m. Tuesday 7:30-9:30 a.m.

Communication 102 9:40-11:40 a.m.
Noon Monday 11:50 a.m.-1:50 p.m.
10 a.m. Monday 2-4 p.m.
Chemistry (Lab) 113, 115, 117, 4:10-6:10 p.m.
Physical Science (Lab) 103

Thursday, Dec. 12
1 p.m. Tuesday 7:30-9:30 a.m.
8 a.m. Monday 9:40-11:40 a.m.
1 p.m. Monday 11:50 a.m.-1:50 p.m.
3 or 3:35 p.m. Tuesday 2-4 p.m.
Noon or 12:35 p.m. Tuesday 4:10-6:10 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 13
4 p.m. Monday 7:30-9:30 a.m.
4 p.m. Tuesday 9:40-11:40 a.m.

on the edge

Snow facts:

■ The biggest snowflake ever reported measured 15 inches across.

■ An inch of snow falling evenly on one acre of ground is equivalent to about 2,715 gallons of water.

■ Dirty snow melts faster than clean.

■ The three most common snowflake patterns are: Columnar (they grow in columns), Planar (they look like a flat plate), and Dendrite (they have many branches going in different directions). Dendrite snowflakes are the type most people associate with snowflakes.

■ Most dangerous of all avalanches, snow avalanches occur about one million times a year.

■ No one has ever discovered two snowflakes with exactly the same crystal pattern.

■ It was not until Feb. 18, 1979, that snow fell on the Sahara. A half-hour storm in southern Algeria stopped traffic. But within hours, all the snow had melted.

■ It only snows about 2 inches per year over most of Antarctica.

■ It takes about 9 minutes for a snowflake to fall to Earth from a height of 1,000 feet.

■ The greatest snowfall in the world belongs to Mount Rainier in Washington, for the 1971-1972 season. During that time it accumulated 1,224 inches of snow.

■ The largest snowflake measured 8 inches in width.

■ Security guards on the top of the Empire State Building, New York, were able to make snowballs on Nov. 3, 1958, while rain fell on 34th Street 1,250 feet below.

■ Snow fell throughout the northern part of the United States at frequent intervals during the summer of 1816.

■ The medical term for snow blindness is "chionablesia."

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